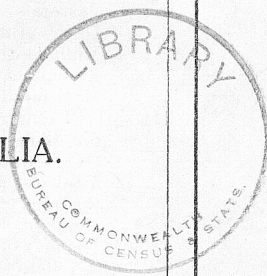
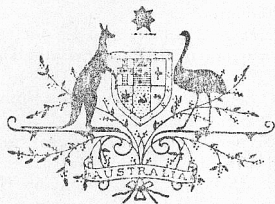


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# STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

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## Section 1.—Population and Vital Statistics.

### AREA AND POPULATION.

State or Territory.	Area— Square Miles.	Population (Excluding Full-blood Australian Aborigines).						
		Census—30th June, 1933.			Estimated 31st March, 1945. (a)			Popula- tion— Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1943.
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W.	309,433	1,318,471	1,282,376	2,600,847	1,447,288	1,446,368	2,893,656	1,398,000
Victoria	87,884	903,244	917,017	1,820,261	993,283	1,017,644	2,010,927	1,170,000
Q'land.	670,500	497,217	450,317	947,534	554,273	521,514	1,075,787	370,500
S. Aust.	380,070	290,962	289,987	580,949	310,713	316,777	627,490	362,500
W. Aust.	975,920	233,937	204,915	438,852	254,187	235,504	489,691	263,000
Tasmania	26,215	115,097	112,502	227,599	124,746	122,633	247,379	70,800
N. Terr.	523,620	3,378	1,472	4,850	4,056	1,164	5,220	(b)
A.C.T.	939	4,805	4,142	8,947	7,257	7,434	14,691	12,200
Australia	2,974,581	3,367,111	3,262,728	6,629,839	3,695,803	3,669,038	7,364,841	3,647,000 (c)

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Not available.

(c) Excludes Darwin. N.T.

### ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

31st Dec.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T. (c)	Australia.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,857	..	3,765,339
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,083
1920	2,091,722	1,527,909	750,624	491,006	331,323	212,752	3,989	1,972	5,411,297
1930	2,546,353	1,792,605	916,736	574,467	431,610	225,297	4,964	8,719	6,500,751
1940	2,782,991	1,918,367	1,031,525	599,398	472,660	243,363	6,299	14,086	7,068,689
1941	2,802,014	1,951,415	1,039,987	607,847	474,317	241,681	5,570	14,391	7,137,222
1942	2,833,133	1,968,226	1,040,536	613,069	479,882	242,151	4,952	14,673	7,196,622
1943b	2,854,862	1,988,938	1,058,094	618,597	482,454	244,056	5,155	14,285	7,266,441
1944b	2,884,848	2,005,593	1,071,441	625,298	488,168	246,559	5,209	14,599	7,341,715

(a) Adjusted in accordance with Census results, part of New South Wales.

(b) Subject to revision.

(c) Prior to 1911,

### ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.(a)

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A. C. T. (b)	Australia.
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1920	2,067,715	1,512,093	745,957	486,619	330,023	210,350	4,211	2,174	5,359,142
1930	2,532,289	1,786,217	910,319	573,242	429,079	220,933	4,979	8,961	6,466,019
1940	2,772,185	1,903,753	1,026,124	599,119	470,922	240,447	6,255	13,556	7,032,361
1941	2,791,169	1,936,725	1,037,416	602,119	473,819	239,824	6,276	14,705	7,102,053
1942	2,818,269	1,964,838	1,037,972	610,813	478,722	240,732	4,890	14,627	7,170,863
1943c	2,841,227	1,980,289	1,051,636	615,484	479,624	242,345	5,144	14,115	7,229,864
1944c	2,870,956	1,997,804	1,065,414	621,998	485,407	245,434	5,179	14,444	7,306,636

(a) Adjusted in accordance with Census results.

(b) Prior to 1911, part of New South Wales.

(c) June estimate; subject to revision.

NOTE.—The populations shown for 1939 and subsequent years have been revised in the light of data obtained from the Civilian Register of June, 1943, and include surviving members of the fighting forces according to the State from which they were enlisted and irrespective of whether they are within Australia or overseas.

Owing to war conditions records of interstate migration are unsatisfactory and estimates of State populations subsequent to June, 1943, are still subject to adjustment for interstate migration. It is anticipated that estimates for these quarters will be revised in the light of data obtained from the Occupation Survey of June, 1945.

**BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.**

Quarter ended 30th June, 1945.

State or Territory.	Births.			Deaths.(a)			Marriages.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
New South Wales	8,187	7,777	15,964	3,723	2,935	6,658	6,364
Victoria ..	5,289	5,065	10,354	2,627	2,523	5,150	3,987
Queensland ..	3,742	3,535	7,277	1,313	965	2,278	2,562
South Australia ..	1,823	1,797	3,620	782	710	1,492	1,265
Western Australia	1,370	1,340	2,710	647	452	1,099	873
Tasmania ..	725	747	1,472	305	268	573	436
Northern Territory	17	10	27	5	1	6	11
Australian Capital Territory ..	54	40	94	12	8	20	28
Australia ..	21,207	20,311	41,518	9,414	7,862	17,276	15,526

(a) Excludes deaths of Defence personnel and of Internees and Prisoners of War from overseas.

State or Territory.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	Half-Year ended 30th June—	
					1944.	1945.

**BIRTHS—NUMBER.**

New South Wales ..	51,729	52,647	57,265	59,612	29,779	31,540
Victoria ..	34,406	35,927	39,117	39,358	19,583	20,736
Queensland ..	21,519	21,166	23,234	24,520	12,330	14,288
South Australia ..	10,965	11,278	13,145	13,311	6,475	7,286
Western Australia ..	10,118	9,901	10,481	10,870	5,379	5,617
Tasmania ..	5,206	5,305	5,597	5,200	2,605	2,931
Northern Territory ..	216	92	80	89	44	51
Australian Capital Territory	366	392	376	384	190	195
Australia ..	134,525	136,708	149,295	153,344	76,385	82,644

**BIRTH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.**

			(a)	(a)	(a) (b)	(a) (b)
New South Wales ..	18.53	18.68	20.16	20.76	20.75	21.74
Victoria ..	17.77	18.28	19.75	19.70	19.60	20.58
Queensland ..	20.74	20.39	22.09	23.02	23.15	26.48
South Australia ..	18.21	18.46	21.36	21.40	20.82	23.16
Western Australia ..	21.35	20.68	21.85	22.39	22.16	22.86
Tasmania ..	21.71	22.04	23.10	21.19	21.23	23.65
Northern Territory ..	34.42	18.81	15.55	17.18	16.99	19.62
Australian Capital Territory	24.89	26.80	26.64	26.58	26.31	26.53
Australia ..	18.94	19.06	20.65	20.99	20.91	22.38

(a) Preliminary rates.

(b) Equivalent annual rates.



BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—*continued*.

State or Territory.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	Half-Year ended 30th June—	
					1944.	1945.

## DEATHS(a)—NUMBER.

New South Wales .. ..	27,300	29,219	28,870	26,652	12,948	12,628
Victoria .. ..	20,522	21,973	21,327	20,502	9,570	9,510
Queensland .. ..	9,530	9,622	10,576	9,385	4,663	4,572
South Australia .. ..	6,288	6,712	6,482	5,984	2,780	2,805
Western Australia .. ..	4,769	5,076	4,587	4,478	2,126	2,190
Tasmania .. ..	2,575	2,430	2,527	2,494	1,161	1,171
Northern Territory .. ..	122	83	49	31	19	17
Australian Capital Territory	70	76	68	70	31	29
Australia .. ..	71,176	75,191	74,486	69,596	33,298	32,922

(a) Excludes deaths of Defence personnel and of Internees and Prisoners of War from overseas.

## DEATH-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

			(a)	(a)	(a) (b)	(a) (b)
New South Wales .. ..	9.78	10.37	10.16	9.28	9.02	8.70
Victoria .. ..	10.60	11.18	10.77	10.26	9.58	9.44
Queensland .. ..	9.19	9.27	10.06	8.81	8.75	8.47
South Australia .. ..	10.44	10.99	10.53	9.62	8.94	8.92
Western Australia .. ..	10.07	10.60	9.56	9.23	8.76	8.91
Tasmania .. ..	10.74	10.09	10.43	10.16	9.46	9.45
Northern Territory .. ..	17.44	16.97	9.53	5.99	7.34	6.54
Australian Capital Territory	4.76	5.20	4.82	4.85	4.29	3.95
Australia .. ..	10.02	10.49	10.30	9.53	9.11	8.92

(a) Preliminary rates.

(b) Equivalent annual rates.

## MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

New South Wales .. ..	29,983	34,533	26,302	26,426	13,684	12,613
Victoria .. ..	20,898	23,636	18,356	17,857	8,895	8,228
Queensland .. ..	9,885	11,722	9,979	11,325	5,529	5,152
South Australia .. ..	6,855	8,129	6,263	6,019	3,165	2,717
Western Australia .. ..	5,077	5,441	4,528	4,506	2,387	1,893
Tasmania .. ..	2,150	2,431	2,102	1,935	965	907
Northern Territory .. ..	179	53	46	31	15	21
Australian Capital Territory	121	115	97	102	45	52
Australia .. ..	75,148	86,060	67,673	68,201	34,685	31,583



## BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES—continued.

State or Territory.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	Half-Year ended 30th June—	
					1944.	1945.
MARRIAGE-RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.						
New South Wales .. ..	10.74	12.25	9.26	9.20	9.53	8.69
Victoria .. ..	10.79	12.03	9.27	8.94	8.90	8.17
Queensland .. ..	9.53	11.29	9.49	10.63	10.38	9.55
South Australia .. ..	11.38	13.31	10.18	9.68	10.18	8.64
Western Australia.. ..	10.72	11.37	9.44	9.28	9.84	7.70
Tasmania .. ..	8.96	10.10	8.67	7.88	7.86	7.32
Northern Territory .. ..	28.52	10.84	8.94	5.99	5.79	8.08
Australian Capital Territory	8.23	7.86	6.87	7.06	6.23	7.07
Australia .. ..	10.58	12.00	9.36	9.33	9.49	8.55

(a) Preliminary rates.

(b) Equivalent annual rates.

## DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE.

New South Wales .. ..	2,264	2,116	2,072	1,829	833	924
Victoria .. ..	1,246	1,497	1,399	1,258	612	519
Queensland .. ..	842	736	878	767	419	411
South Australia .. ..	356	448	482	387	174	184
Western Australia .. ..	357	365	342	354	173	152
Tasmania .. ..	255	225	227	199	93	74
Northern Territory .. ..	18	4	6	2	1	1
Australian Capital Territory	6	9	7	9	6	2
Australia .. ..	5,344	5,400	5,413	4,805	2,311	2,267

## INFANTILE MORTALITY—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.

New South Wales .. ..	43.77	40.19	36.18	30.68	27.97	29.30
Victoria .. ..	36.21	41.67	35.76	31.96	31.25	25.03
Queensland .. ..	39.13	34.73	37.79	31.28	33.99	28.77
South Australia .. ..	32.47	39.72	36.67	29.07	26.87	25.25
Western Australia .. ..	35.28	36.86	32.63	32.57	32.16	27.06
Tasmania .. ..	48.98	42.41	40.56	38.27	35.70	25.25
Northern Territory .. ..	83.33	43.48	75.00	22.47	22.73	19.61
Australian Capital Territory	16.39	22.96	18.62	23.44	31.58	10.26
Australia .. ..	39.72	39.50	36.26	31.33	30.25	27.43

## MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
1921-25 ..	289,695	188,357	478,052	171,974	122,535	294,509	183,543
1926-30 ..	266,593	203,887	470,480	193,013	147,409	340,422	130,058
1931-35 ..	124,207	115,116	239,323	134,883	115,326	250,209	(a) 10,886
1936-40 ..	161,774	159,538	321,312	140,901	137,283	278,184	43,128
1939 ..	37,719	37,366	75,085	31,491	29,703	61,194	13,891
1940 ..	19,296	19,307	38,603	13,998	11,205	25,203	13,400
1941 ..	11,861	10,800	22,661	10,063	7,414	17,477	5,184
1942 ..	6,295	5,971	12,266	3,059	3,041	6,100	6,166
1943 ..	3,893	2,232	6,125	2,822	2,032	4,854	1,271
1944 ..	4,454	3,043	7,497	5,389	4,291	9,680	(a) 2,183

(a) Excess of Departures over Arrivals.

**Section II.—Production.**  
**PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA.**  
 AREA OF CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Total Area of Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1938-39 ..	14,346,380	1,784,205	324,146	3,250,260	368,592	23,497,780
1939-40 ..	13,285,005	1,681,962	311,812	2,998,642	374,967	22,249,512
1940-41 ..	12,644,646	1,722,902	362,871	2,353,506	371,623	21,117,830
1941-42 ..	12,003,483	1,460,472	301,360	2,758,128	352,178	20,450,345
1942-43 ..	9,280,345	1,496,913	284,592	2,359,115	329,051	17,419,717
1943-44 ..	7,875,121	1,415,344	282,681	2,044,114	336,419	15,902,662
1944-45(a) ..	8,428,451	2,033,258	257,367	2,407,381	325,978	17,441,981

(a) Subject to revision.

## TOTAL PRODUCTION.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar-cane.	Cane Sugar.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1938-39 ..	155,368,621	15,554,735	7,056,642	3,321,161	5,678,894	820,086
1939-40 ..	210,487,306	25,301,980	6,560,065	4,158,064	6,313,369	928,621
1940-41 ..	82,233,324	10,199,218	9,192,744	2,177,470	5,523,416	806,457
1941-42 ..	166,712,865	22,302,478	7,436,174	3,574,888	5,153,670	745,980
1942-43 ..	155,727,983	21,531,525	6,884,953	3,116,055	4,691,501	649,899
1943-44 ..	109,719,577	17,711,918	7,432,618	2,716,842	3,687,981	523,865
1944-45(a) ..	52,068,440	8,952,645	6,397,628	1,988,984	4,737,783	669,000

(a) Subject to revision.

## AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.(a)	Tons.(a)
1938-39 ..	10.83	8.72	21.77	1.02	21.65	3.13
1939-40 ..	15.84	15.04	21.04	1.39	23.15	3.41
1940-41 ..	6.50	5.92	25.33	0.93	20.20	2.95
1941-42 ..	13.89	15.27	24.67	1.30	20.25	2.93
1942-43 ..	16.78	14.38	24.19	1.32	19.47	2.70
1943-44 ..	13.93	12.52	26.29	1.33	16.09	2.29
1944-45(b) ..	6.18	4.40	24.86	0.83	20.92	2.95

(a) Per acre of productive crop.

(b) Subject to revision.

## AREA OF WHEAT.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1939-40 ..	4,380,595	2,827,417	362,044	2,734,595	2,970,411	7,495	2,448	13,285,005
1940-41 ..	4,453,963	2,672,728	322,081	2,560,390	2,625,401	8,038	2,045	12,644,646
1941-42 ..	3,968,758	2,757,080	290,801	2,325,717	2,653,419	6,414	1,294	12,003,483
1942-43 ..	3,032,946	2,145,156	334,785	2,009,027	1,753,178	4,128	1,125	9,280,345
1943-44 ..	2,693,302	1,793,428	281,302	1,533,816	1,567,016	4,839	1,418	7,875,121
1944-45(a) ..	2,844,804	2,141,729	303,349	1,623,145	1,510,078	3,832	1,514	8,428,451

## TOTAL PRODUCTION OF WHEAT.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1939-40 ..	76,552,000	45,054,592	6,794,906	41,071,696	40,861,000	107,719	45,393	210,487,306
1940-41 ..	23,933,100	13,521,422	5,687,350	17,856,118	21,060,000	140,375	34,959	82,233,324
1941-42 ..	48,500,000	46,953,840	3,079,898	30,511,112	37,500,000	145,191	22,824	166,712,865
1942-43 ..	51,693,045	41,803,107	5,005,065	36,525,459	20,600,000	73,320	27,987	155,727,983
1943-44 ..	47,500,000	19,733,322	5,084,292	20,690,471	16,550,000	122,141	39,351	109,719,577
1944-45(a) ..	17,133,870	3,497,677	6,226,467	9,244,211	15,871,711	92,650	1,854	52,068,440

(a) Subject to revision.

## Principal Crops—Australia—continued.

## AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1939-40	17.48	15.93	18.77	15.02	13.76	14.37	18.54	15.84
1940-41	5.37	5.06	17.66	6.97	8.02	17.46	17.09	6.50
1941-42	12.22	17.03	10.59	13.12	14.13	22.64	17.64	13.89
1942-43	17.04	19.49	14.95	18.18	11.75	17.76	24.88	16.78
1943-44	17.64	11.00	18.07	13.49	10.56	25.24	27.75	13.93
1944-45a	6.02	1.63	20.53	5.70	10.51	24.18	1.22	6.18

(a) Subject to revision.

## NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK.

Mar.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
			(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)		

## SHEEP.

1939	48,876,663	17,007,352	23,158,569	9,936,586	9,177,531	2,625,690	29,901	245,540	111,057,832
1940	54,372,472	18,251,870	24,190,931	9,940,570	9,574,433	2,677,120	38,587	259,408	119,305,891
1941	55,568,000	20,412,362	23,936,099	10,263,423	9,516,272	2,682,375	33,703	281,791	122,694,025
1942	56,737,000	20,598,201	25,196,245	10,245,894	9,722,780	2,398,201	28,245	262,563	125,189,129
1943c	56,043,598	19,614,040	25,650,231	10,370,565	10,424,385	2,226,906	a 34,603	250,344	124,614,672
1944c	56,837,300	19,220,457	23,255,584	10,359,669	11,012,936	2,187,799	a 25,575	274,642	123,173,962
1945c	46,662,000	16,457,101	21,365,778	8,473,939	10,020,299	2,156,071	a 29,269	250,778	105,415,235

## CATTLE.

1939	2,811,884	1,697,295	6,097,089	318,897	767,680	262,407	899,472	7,057	12,861,781
1940	2,762,653	1,787,597	6,198,798	351,013	799,175	252,484	922,581	5,879	13,080,180
1941	2,769,061	1,922,336	6,210,810	376,654	788,928	259,108	922,308	6,636	13,255,841
1942	2,878,450	1,986,544	6,303,467	399,143	839,731	(b) 253,106	932,881	7,432	13,560,754
1943c	3,030,546	2,022,892	6,466,316	424,253	831,231	244,681	a 978,434	6,987	14,005,320
1944c	3,143,378	2,013,033	6,524,553	414,997	870,939	230,127	a 978,569	8,083	14,183,679
1945c	3,144,701	1,903,110	6,624,799	391,323	850,863	224,668	a 984,370	9,320	14,133,154

## HORSES.

1939	531,355	343,828	444,521	195,834	143,674	30,458	33,191	1,195	1,724,056
1940	534,837	326,217	444,956	190,013	139,207	29,605	32,721	1,241	1,698,797
1941	531,776	318,441	441,770	182,206	130,057	29,406	30,716	1,244	1,665,616
1942	525,697	302,401	431,363	171,092	124,402	(b) 28,612	26,209	1,283	1,611,059
1943c	483,277	292,534	392,639	164,855	112,782	27,077	a 43,663	1,143	1,517,970
1944c	465,672	277,662	387,018	154,102	106,743	26,317	a 30,534	1,151	1,449,199
1945c	436,443	253,782	380,670	133,003	96,453	25,885	a 31,803	1,091	1,359,130

## PIGS.

1939	377,344	252,462	325,326	71,292	82,922	45,317	355	573	1,155,591
1940	451,064	297,655	391,333	119,660	149,604	44,941	433	601	1,455,341
1941	507,738	397,945	435,966	190,068	217,910	46,713	407	593	1,797,340
1942c	454,102	285,227	424,458	119,765	147,960	(b) 44,519	(a) 418	854	1,477,303
1943c	486,960	307,929	409,348	156,243	151,958	49,251	(a) 532	779	1,563,000
1944c	561,294	337,878	450,391	186,007	163,876	46,427	(a) 191	657	1,746,721
1945c	523,917	296,232	438,088	160,875	163,604	46,915	(a) 146	689	1,630,466

(a) December, previous year.

(b) As at March.

(c) As at 31st March; 1945 figures subject to revision.

## WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
1937-38..	495,027	178,890	a 174,751	86,606	70,685	15,599	35	1,797	1,023,390
1938-39..	437,141	165,829	a 179,459	102,888	78,802	17,519	35	1,909	983,582
1939-40..	546,273	179,126	a 195,770	105,266	80,657	18,334	35	2,233	1,127,694
1940-41..	536,908	187,831	a 214,704	106,647	76,170	17,078	308	2,128	1,141,774
1941-42..	547,000	212,919	204,119	105,124	78,500	16,985	308	2,203	1,167,158
1942-43..	497,538	212,325	213,966	108,637	99,231	17,256	308	1,905	1,151,166
1943-44..	537,410	196,415	194,355	115,464	105,226	17,925	308	1,913	1,169,016

(a) For year ended 31st December of previous year.



## PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
BUTTER.								
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1938-39 ..	53,045	58,291	70,369	9,249	7,254	5,284	8	203,500
1939-40 ..	52,149	75,583	63,771	10,240	6,942	5,295	7	211,987
1940-41 ..	48,466	69,797	53,544	9,545	6,802	4,729	10	192,893
1941-42 ..	39,831	62,864	43,582	9,133	7,612	4,602	7	167,631
1942-43 ..	43,873	56,105	50,541	9,180	7,027	4,505	6	171,237
1943-44 ..	41,231	49,838	45,996	8,841	6,573	3,799	4	156,282
1944-45(a) ..	32,006	46,755	42,352	6,928	5,665	3,556	..	137,262

## CHEESE.

	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1938-39 ..	3,343	8,729	7,039	8,239	436	1,518	..	29,304
1939-40 ..	3,038	10,935	6,182	9,174	378	1,447	..	31,154
1940-41 ..	2,888	8,204	5,239	8,673	428	1,357	..	26,789
1941-42 ..	2,348	10,054	7,304	8,439	586	1,412	..	30,143
1942-43 ..	2,350	11,280	12,737	8,000	731	1,032	..	36,130
1943-44 ..	2,467	11,902	10,737	8,806	802	1,111	..	35,825
1944-45(a) ..	1,941	12,303	10,123	8,273	768	1,033	..	34,441

## BACON AND HAM.

	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1938-39 ..	11,794	7,370	8,492	2,073	1,894	1,015	..	33,238
1939-40 ..	11,627	7,955	8,947	3,146	2,086	1,292	..	35,083
1940-41 ..	14,091	8,946	10,299	3,345	2,304	913	1	39,899
1941-42 ..	15,293	8,602	10,923	3,942	2,766	937	1	42,464
1942-43 ..	15,082	8,855	13,057	4,423	4,142	1,238	..	46,802
1943-44 ..	13,913	9,687	11,958	4,605	4,358	1,202	..	45,723
1944-45(a) ..	19,071	9,883	14,204	4,659	4,999	1,093	..	53,909

(a) Subject to revision; excludes farm production.

## QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Gold.	Black Coal.	Copper.	Pig-Iron. (a)	Lead.	Silver.	Tin.	Zinc.
	Fine oz.	Ton.	Ton.	Ton.	Ton.	Oz.	Ton.	Ton.
1938 ..	1,592,034	11,680,159	20,326	929,676	239,590	13,895,541	3,331	163,381
1939 ..	1,645,697	13,535,142	(b)	1,104,605	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1940 ..	1,643,909	11,725,683	(b)	1,212,006	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1941 ..	1,496,693	14,212,451	(b)	1,475,707	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1942 ..	1,153,787	14,903,439	(b)	1,557,641	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1943 ..	751,279	14,192,942	(b)	1,399,306	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1944(c) ..	656,866	13,737,075	(b)	1,305,357	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
1945 (6 mths.) (c)	309,000	6,400,000	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)

(a) Year ended June.

(b) Not yet available.

(c) Subject to revision.

## VALUE(a) OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Australia.
GOLD.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939 ..	848,985	1,533,899	1,428,598	38,895	11,796,085	192,596	163,414	16,002,472
1940 ..	1,068,692	1,924,396	1,351,654	34,892	12,697,219	204,248	238,849	17,519,950
1941 ..	941,244	1,600,016	1,164,621	17,908	11,852,452	212,710	201,599	15,990,550
1942 ..	807,436	1,060,910	994,214	13,930	8,865,806	191,835	126,035	12,060,166
1943 ..	666,491	590,541	656,657	5,423	5,710,663	180,209	40,880	7,850,864
1944 ..	657,152	568,305	538,176	5,662	4,899,384	174,888	57,803	6,901,370

## SILVER AND LEAD.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939 ..	3,546,440	726	1,010,856	61	32,890	291,980	..	4,882,953
1940 ..	4,454,085	969	1,342,550	391	35,107	500,218	4	6,333,324
1941 ..	4,456,973	2,410	1,324,349	837	37,648	433,643	..	6,255,860
1942 ..	4,168,421	2,227	1,034,550	477	23,916	358,966	..	5,588,557
1943(b) ..	3,752,672	2,278	230,837	62	16,475	333,058	..	4,335,382

(a) Except for gold, the values shown are those published by the Mines Departments of the several States. Gold is valued in Australian currency.

(b) Subject to revision.



Value of Principal Minerals Produced—*continued*.

Year	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr.	Aust.
COPPER.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939 ..	105,407	..	289,927	6,612	1,373	668,561	2,248	1,074,128
1940 ..	103,701	..	428,263	21,083	873	717,464	1,072	1,272,456
1941 ..	117,490	..	620,996	41,390	154	721,985	3,185	1,505,200
1942 ..	277,376	..	625,375	31,715	738	730,675	..	1,665,879
1943 ..	379,800	..	1,111,049	10,100	33	691,199	2,393	2,194,574
TIN.								
1939 ..	366,138	47,233	200,652	..	3,871	282,798	4,487	905,179
1940 ..	373,435	32,253	223,626	..	5,174	367,127	4,533	1,006,148
1941 ..	443,123	19,569	204,232	..	1,874	328,340	4,041	1,001,179
1942 ..	417,210	19,173	150,454	..	4,634	297,919	6,627	896,017
1943 ..	403,320	14,162	167,176	10	2,315	246,218	5,594	838,795
COAL (Black and Brown).								
1939 ..	6,768,659	645,766	1,167,844	..	362,811	74,460	..	9,019,540
1940 ..	6,125,585	622,001	1,151,567	..	364,500	63,688	..	8,327,341
1941 ..	8,265,881	726,754	1,404,646	..	389,278	85,311	..	10,871,870
1942 ..	9,472,363	880,806	1,698,231	1,650	461,495	108,241	..	12,622,786
1943 ..	9,290,095	958,024	1,824,591	..	489,721	117,361	..	12,679,792
ALL MINERALS.								
1939 ..	12,123,751	2,248,169	4,556,962	3,320,181	12,288,532	2,056,741	244,478	36,838,814
1940 ..	12,791,408	2,596,117	5,105,629	3,218,237	13,230,552	2,749,817	311,024	40,002,784
1941 ..	15,073,833	2,371,568	5,300,600	3,187,093	12,399,351	2,650,271	274,172	41,256,888
1942 ..	16,258,694	1,980,972	5,023,495	3,012,973	9,487,562	2,494,119	204,366	38,462,181
1943 ..	15,968,578	1,593,994	4,214,525	3,070,716	6,383,755	2,378,533	130,795	33,740,896

## ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

(RECORDED INDUSTRIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

Industry.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Agricultural ..	58,840	41,679	60,909	41,571	61,806	76,788
Pastoral ..	78,167	63,821	81,388	83,952	85,358	101,014
Dairying ..	31,589	33,782	36,843	35,706	34,344	42,244
Poultry ..	6,457	7,302	6,979	6,264	6,497	11,154
Bee-farming ..	161	123	166	309	408	324
Total Rural ..	175,214	146,707	186,285	167,802	188,413	231,524
Trapping ..	2,408	1,422	2,115	3,720	5,046	3,550
Forestry ..	7,996	7,780	8,133	9,196	10,051	11,013
Fisheries ..	1,595	1,655	1,557	1,668	1,773	1,935
Mines and Quarries ..	27,153	27,375	30,583	32,365	33,410	30,767
Total Non-Rural ..	39,152	38,232	42,388	46,949	50,280	47,265
Total All Primary ..	214,366	184,939	228,673	214,751	238,693	278,789
Factories ..	196,488	203,416	221,295	257,914	316,438	352,001
Total All Industries ..	410,854	388,355	449,968	472,665	555,131	630,790

## Estimated Net Value of Production—Australia—continued.

PER HEAD OF MEAN POPULATION.

Industry.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Agricultural ..	8 11 5	6 0 4	8 14 1	5 17 9	8 13 2	10 13 4
Pastoral ..	11 7 9	9 4 3	11 12 8	11 17 6	11 19 2	14 0 7
Dairying ..	4 12 0	4 17 6	5 5 4	5 1 1	4 16 3	5 17 4
Poultry ..	0 18 10	1 1 1	1 0 0	0 17 7	0 18 3	1 11 0
Bee-farming ..	0 0 6	0 0 4	0 0 6	0 0 10	0 1 2	0 0 11
Total Rural ..	25 10 6	21 3 6	26 12 7	23 14 9	26 8 0	32 3 2
Trapping ..	0 7 0	0 4 1	0 6 1	0 10 7	0 14 2	0 9 10
Forestry ..	1 3 4	1 2 6	1 3 3	1 6 1	1 8 2	1 10 7
Fisheries ..	0 4 8	0 4 9	0 4 5	0 4 9	0 5 0	0 5 5
Mines and Quarries ..	3 19 1	3 19 0	4 7 5	4 11 5	4 13 6	4 5 6
Total Non-Rural ..	5 14 1	5 10 4	6 1 2	6 12 10	7 0 10	6 11 4
Total All Primary	31 4 7	26 13 10	32 13 9	30 7 7	33 8 10	38 14 6
Factories ..	28 12 6	29 7 3	31 12 7	36 9 10	44 6 9	48 17 11
Total All Industries	59 17 1	56 1 1	64 6 4	66 17 5	77 15 7	87 12 5

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA.

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed. (a)	Salaries and Wages Paid. (b)	Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value of Production.	Value of Output.
	No.	No.	£	£	£	£	£
1937-38	26,395	559,160	102,078,550	257,998,600	287,243,412	196,488,024	498,779,141
1938-39	26,941	565,106	106,743,062	274,582,541	281,303,446	203,416,610	500,419,977
1939-40	27,111	587,663	114,517,633	285,209,557	315,076,697	221,295,153	553,253,317
1940-41	27,300	650,073	137,919,068	305,449,890	367,157,852	257,914,349	644,794,908
1941-42	26,971	725,342	180,052,212	325,512,892	433,160,480	316,439,028	773,058,971
1942-43	26,414	759,045	208,866,843	344,559,273	472,720,078	352,002,056	850,348,656
1943-44	27,674	766,498	216,873,819	358,210,508	498,924,854	366,235,487	891,739,216

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—STATE DETAILS.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1941-42.							
1. Factories .. No.	10,166	8,918	2,788	2,167	1,938	994	26,971
2. Hands employed(a) ..	298,245	258,400	61,909	65,252	23,980	17,556	725,342
3. Wages paid(b) .. £	75,757,656	64,363,277	14,476,768	16,234,164	5,499,568	3,720,779	180,052,212
4. Value of fuel used .. £	11,228,813	6,144,579	1,915,087	2,066,010	1,399,228	705,746	23,459,463
5. „ materials used .. £	189,469,148	140,198,887	49,384,624	33,264,628	12,452,275	8,390,918	433,160,480
6. „ production .. £	138,790,351	110,937,614	24,830,339	24,565,855	10,100,531	7,214,338	316,439,028
7. „ output of fact's. £	339,488,312	257,281,080	76,130,050	59,896,493	23,952,034	16,311,002	773,058,971
8. „ land & buildings .. £	65,015,509	50,091,565	13,082,394	16,665,829	7,093,250	4,384,553	156,333,100
9. „ plant & machinery .. £	70,611,613	48,065,805	18,771,893	16,808,122	7,309,560	7,612,799	169,179,792

(a) Average over whole year; including working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

## Manufacturing Industries—State Details—continued.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1942-43.							
1. Factories .. No.	10,110	8,738	2,641	2,134	1,799	992	26,414
2. Hands employed(a) ..	315,524	262,358	64,292	72,748	25,813	18,310	759,045
3. Wages paid(b) .. £	88,900,826	73,035,253	16,737,545	19,243,290	6,477,113	4,472,816	208,866,843
4. Value of fuel used .. £	12,307,663	6,514,447	2,105,774	2,469,301	1,437,624	791,713	25,626,522
5. „ materials used .. £	207,599,130	149,630,126	55,063,141	36,745,047	13,845,868	9,836,766	472,720,078
6. „ production .. £	153,682,262	121,391,367	29,044,560	28,354,359	11,454,057	8,075,451	352,002,056
7. „ output of fact's. £	373,480,055	277,635,940	86,213,475	67,568,707	26,737,549	18,703,930	850,348,656
8. „ land & buildings .. £	72,622,902	52,642,052	13,159,140	17,473,537	6,770,121	4,926,195	167,593,947
9. „ plant & mchnry. £	73,121,771	51,963,258	18,793,878	17,848,070	7,105,019	8,133,330	176,963,326

## 1943-44.

1. Factories .. No.	10,755	9,317	2,652	2,149	1,807	994	27,674
2. Hands employed(a) ..	323,032	261,331	64,682	69,569	28,101	19,791	766,506
3. Wages paid(b) .. £	93,518,326	73,961,193	18,071,689	18,711,413	7,417,595	5,193,603	216,873,819
4. Value of fuel used .. £	12,808,040	6,826,742	2,162,113	2,436,049	1,503,344	842,587	26,578,875
5. „ materia s used .. £	223,603,640	154,490,654	57,945,796	36,730,842	15,193,718	10,990,204	498,924,854
6. „ production .. £	162,726,010	123,330,518	30,210,528	28,411,486	12,511,526	9,045,419	366,235,487
7. „ output of fact's. £	399,137,690	284,647,914	90,318,437	67,578,377	29,208,588	20,848,210	891,739,216
8. „ land & buildings .. £	78,978,013	55,062,982	13,262,504	17,629,235	6,920,805	5,293,066	177,146,605
9. „ plant & mchnry. £	73,803,954	55,457,719	17,886,417	18,415,477	7,429,526	8,070,810	181,063,903

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.  
working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA.

Class of Industry.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
	£	£	£	£
I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products ..	5,733,723	5,846,992	5,043,168	4,758,486
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, &c. ..	6,154,014	6,191,079	4,841,965	4,528,864
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils and Grease ..	18,395,727	24,828,034	29,111,775	25,928,424
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Imple- ments and Conveyances ..	85,949,318	119,872,922	148,220,089	157,391,098
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery and Plate ..	1,274,021	1,315,010	931,516	1,020,772
VI. Textiles and Textile Goods ..	17,936,299	20,953,759	21,812,445	22,766,729
VII. Skins and Leather ..	4,465,300	5,156,273	5,473,293	5,885,080
VIII. Clothing ..	19,638,286	23,634,446	23,181,403	24,896,161
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco ..	48,516,665	53,154,567	56,842,302	59,153,039
X. Woodworking and Basketware ..	11,371,496	12,971,441	13,427,479	14,684,261
XI. Furniture, Bedding, &c... ..	4,648,226	4,863,463	4,061,659	4,063,839
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book- binding, &c. ..	16,237,985	17,080,273	17,238,875	18,350,059
XIII. Rubber ..	3,055,014	3,861,465	3,647,766	3,862,931
XIV. Musical Instruments ..	169,337	190,238	158,484	155,806
XV. Miscellaneous Products ..	2,788,046	4,009,285	4,665,317	5,283,655
XVI. Heat, Light and Power ..	11,580,892	12,509,781	13,344,520	13,506,283
Total ..	257,914,349	316,439,028	352,002,056	366,235,487



**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1943-44.**

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Wages(a) ..	23.43	25.98	20.72	27.69	25.40	24.91	24.32
Fuel and Light ..	3.21	2.40	2.39	3.60	5.15	4.04	2.98
Materials used ..	56.02	54.27	64.16	54.35	52.02	52.57	55.95
Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses and charges ..	17.34	17.35	12.73	14.36	17.43	18.48	16.75
Total output	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Per cent. of Wages on value of Production ..	57.47	59.97	59.82	65.86	59.29	57.42	59.22

(a) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee.(a)**

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1939-40—Males ..	247.12	233.40	244.01	223.78	240.48	215.82	239.08
Females ..	107.20	113.55	98.71	90.85	99.45	97.41	108.09
1940-41—Males ..	265.35	260.54	249.91	242.30	251.14	229.34	253.77
Females ..	115.79	125.37	102.43	101.13	102.11	107.18	117.65
1941-42—Males ..	309.85	308.76	274.06	292.68	276.88	253.09	301.86
Females ..	134.96	148.57	116.88	134.47	111.89	116.55	138.44
1942-43—Males ..	344.72	344.06	308.49	313.74	304.34	290.30	335.17
Females ..	157.29	173.10	129.55	157.27	131.70	137.19	160.59
1943-44—Males ..	352.15	349.02	326.70	314.99	316.28	310.15	342.68
Females ..	172.07	179.55	151.65	169.77	150.14	161.57	171.30

(a) Excludes working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed over whole year, 1943-44.**

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Males ..	226,824	175,078	50,822	50,660	21,060	14,697	539,141
Females ..	96,208	86,253	13,860	18,909	7,041	5,094	227,365
Masculinity(a) ..	236	203	367	268	299	289	237

(a) Number of males per 100 females.

**Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.**

**OVERSEA SHIPPING(a).—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED—AUSTRALIA.**

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1939-40 ..	5,609,482	856,183	6,465,665	5,533,670	1,076,291	6,609,961
1940-41 ..	4,282,622	1,096,299	5,378,921	5,148,291	741,135	5,889,426
1941-42 ..	4,641,087	533,031	5,174,118	4,490,010	1,103,876	5,593,886
1942-43 ..	3,547,084	277,405	3,824,489	3,472,423	816,321	4,288,744
1943-44 ..	3,603,728	879,800	4,483,528	4,360,359	842,892	5,203,251

(a) Excludes particulars of vessels exclusively engaged in the transport of troops, war equipment and supplies.



**OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO(a).—Discharged and Shipped, States.**  
(,000 omitted.)

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons measurement on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton. The figures in the measurement columns are not equivalent to those in the weight columns but are additional.

State or Territory.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons—Weight.	Tons—Measurement.	Tons—Weight.	Tons—Measurement.	Tons—Weight.	Tons—Measurement.	Tons—Weight.	Tons—Measurement.
1943-44.								
New South Wales ..	2,777	638	1,384	931	3,360	475	1,073	985
Victoria ..	1,988	349	977	532	613	418	469	353
Queensland ..	400	366	1,050	241	429	210	468	293
South Australia ..	1,413	182	233	46	2,519	133	800	45
Western Australia ..	271	188	458	29	64	129	515	26
Tasmania ..	366	242	36	2	532	257	30	..
Northern Territory(b) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	7,215	1,965	4,138	1,781	7,517	1,722	3,355	1,702
Total 1942-43 ..	6,925	2,023	3,654	1,424	7,603	1,808	2,380	1,257
.. 1941-42 ..	7,582	2,150	3,750	1,757	8,100	1,903	2,858	1,300
.. 1940-41 ..	7,556	2,330	2,958	1,772	7,999	1,966	4,037	1,250
.. 1939-40 ..	7,031	2,339	3,721	2,495	7,141	2,078	4,781	963

(a) Excludes cargo from vessels exclusively engaged in the transport of troops, war equipment and supplies. (b) Port of Darwin closed.

**OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 30th SEPTEMBER, 1945.**

These rates (except those marked with an asterisk) are subject to a "war-time risk" surcharge of 15 per cent.

(Expressed in sterling and subject to adjustment on account of exchange when freight prepaid in Australia—18 per cent. on refrigerated cargo rates and 25 per cent. on other cargo rates.)

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

**FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—**

Butter (Refrigerator) ..	5s. 8d. per box (56 lb.)
Cheese (Refrigerator) ..	1½d. per lb.
Eggs (in shell) ..	168s. per ton measurement.
Meats, Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—	
Beef ..	1½d. per lb.
Lamb ..	1½d. " "
Mutton ..	1½d. " "
Rabbits and Hares ..	122s. per ton measurement.
Preserved in tins ..	107s. " "
Sausage Casings (dried, in casks or cases) ..	107s. " "
Milk and Cream (condensed) ..	107s. " "

**FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—**

*Sugar (Raw) ..	153s. per ton weight.
Jams ..	85s. per ton measurement.
Jellies ..	107s. " "
Dried Fruits ..	85s. " "
Fruits, Fresh—Apples (Refrigerator) ..	6s. per bushel case.
Oranges (bushel cases) ..	6s. " "
*Wheat, Unprepared, Parcels ..	120s. per ton weight.
*Barley, Unprepared ..	150s. 9d. " "
*Oats, Unprepared ..	160s. " "
*Maize, Unprepared ..	149s. " "
*Flour, Wheaten ..	130s. " "
*Bran ..	1½d. " "
*Pollard ..	155s. " "
*Rice (clean, husked) ..	155s. " "
WINE ..	107s. per ton measurement.

**ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—**

Hides and Skins—Calf ..	¾d. per lb.
Sheep ..	1½d. per lb.
Rabbit ..	2½d. " "
Other ..	2½d. " "
Pearl-shell ..	107s. per ton measurement.
Wool—Greasy ..	1½d. per lb.
Tops ..	2½d. " "

**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and  
Continent at 30th September, 1945—continued.**

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

<b>VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—</b>		
Compressed Fodder .. .. .	107s. per ton measurement.	
*Bark, Tanning .. .. .	107s. per ton weight.	
Copra .. .. .	104s. 3d. per ton measurement.	
Sandalwood .. .. .	107s.	
Raw Cotton (in bales) .. .. .	1½d. per lb.	
<b>APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—</b>		
Apparel and Attire .. .. .	107s. per ton measurement.	
Binder Twine .. .. .	187s. per ton weight.	
<b>OILS, FATS AND WAXES—</b>		
Oils, Eucalyptus .. .. .	107s. per ton measurement.	
Other .. .. .	120s. 3d. per ton weight.	
Tallow, Unrefined .. .. .	120s. 3d.	
<b>PAINTS AND VARNISHES</b>		107s. per ton measurement.
<b>ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—</b>		
Ore (in casks) .. .. .	126s.	per ton weight.
*Zinc, Ex Risdon .. .. .	56s.	" " "
*Other than above .. .. .	81s.	" " "
Dust (in casks) .. .. .	252s.	" " "
Sheet (in casks) .. .. .	110s.	" " "
*Copper .. .. .	90s.	" " "
*Lead .. .. .	81s.	" " "
*Steel, Billets (up to 20 ft.) .. .. .	111s.	" " "
" (over 20 and up to 30 ft.) .. .. .	127s.	" " "
Tyres .. .. .	94s. 6d.	" " "
Tin Clippings in Ingot form .. .. .	36s. 6d.	" " "
<b>RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUB- STITUTES THEREFOR—</b>		
Rubber .. .. .	96s. 6d.	per ton measurement.
Leather .. .. .	234s. 3d.	per ton weight.
<b>WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—</b>		
Timber, Logs up to 40-ft. lengths .. .. .	40s.	per 100 super. feet.
" over 40 and up to 50-ft. lengths .. .. .	43s.	" " "
" over 50 and up to 60-ft. lengths .. .. .	46s. 3d.	" " "
Sawn, Undressed, up to 30-ft. lengths .. .. .	23s. 6d.	" " "
<b>EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA AND GLASS</b>		107s. per ton measurement.
<b>STATIONERY</b>		107s.
<b>DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—</b>		
Fertilizers .. .. .	107s.	" " "
<b>MISCELLANEOUS—</b>		
Soap .. .. .	107s.	" " "
Casein .. .. .	168s. 3d.	" " "
<b>SPECIE</b>		25s. per cent.

**INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS' SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES,  
GENERAL CARGO, 30th September, 1945.**

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

To.	From—					
	Brisbane.		Sydney.		Melbourne.	
	Direct.	Trans- shipped.	Direct.	Trans- shipped at Wellington.	Direct.	Trans- shipped at Sydney.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brisbane .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	31 0.6	.. .. .	40 6.0	.. .. .
Sydney .. .. .	31 0.6	.. .. .	29 .. ..	.. .. .	29 8.4	.. .. .
Melbourne .. .. .	40 6.0	.. .. .	29 8.4	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Adelaide .. .. .	51 3.6	.. .. .	40 6.0	.. .. .	29 8.4	.. .. .
Fremantle .. .. .	62 4.8	72 4.8	55 10.8	.. .. .	49 4.8	.. .. .
Hobart .. .. .	50 8.4	65 6.0	28 7.2	.. .. .	28 7.2	.. .. .
Launceston, Devonport, Burnie	44 2.4	51 2.4	28 7.2	.. .. .	26 0.0	.. .. .
Auckland .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	46 6.0	.. .. .	46 6.0	83 8.0
Wellington .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	47 6.0	.. .. .	47 6.0	84 8.0
Lyttleton .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	46 6.0	83 0.0	46 6.0	83 8.0
Dunedin .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	46 6.0	83 0.0	46 6.0	83 8.0
New Hebrides .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	81 0.0	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Norfolk Island .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	67 6.0	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Papua .. .. .	81 0.0	.. .. .	81 0.0	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .

NOTE.—The table above includes the following "war-time risk" surcharges :—30 per cent. in respect of Fremantle, Hobart, Launceston, Devonport and Burnie ; 35 per cent. in respect of the remaining ports, excepting New Zealand : 12½ per cent. on 38s. 6d. plus 7½ per cent. in respect of New Zealand ports, plus 35 per cent. on 22s. where trans-shipped at Sydney.

## COMMERCE—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA TRADE.

## IMPORTS.(a)

(BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.)

State or Territory.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.		1944-45.	
				Civil.	Total.	Civil.	Total.
	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.	£ stg. '000.
New South Wales ..	48,598	56,061	86,354	40,225	101,868	40,757	101,330
Victoria ..	46,231	59,781	110,433	27,713	90,252	27,767	64,769
Queensland ..	6,339	7,067	7,549	7,153	12,870	5,488	12,956
South Australia ..	5,462	7,462	5,859	3,812	4,781	4,055	4,656
Western Australia ..	4,259	4,558	3,238	2,881	3,408	3,701	4,042
Tasmania ..	944	842	1,009	639	1,046	700	730
Northern Territory ..	85	140	..	..	..	..	..
Estimated unrecorded ..	..	16,094	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	111,918	152,005	214,442 (b)	82,423	214,225	82,468	188,483

## EXPORTS.(c)

(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.)

State or Territory.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.		1944-45.	
				Civil.	Total.	Civil.	Total.
	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.	£A'000.
New South Wales ..	63,428	64,137	54,263	35,332	54,089	37,509	60,837
Victoria ..	45,257	42,622	34,550	30,860	36,547	35,539	40,071
Queensland ..	25,247	21,297	18,624	16,460	17,889	15,139	18,283
South Australia ..	13,197	14,812	9,423	11,432	15,585	14,088	19,167
Western Australia ..	8,450	11,579	5,312	8,964	11,423	8,191	12,382
Tasmania ..	1,560	1,872	885	1,082	1,149	2,465	2,531
Northern Territory ..	25	13	..	..	..	..	..
Estimated unrecorded ..	..	12,645	2,500	..	10,000	..	2,000
Total(d) ..	157,164	168,977	125,557 (e)	104,130	146,682	112,931	155,271

(a) Subject to revision as some imports of war materials and some goods imported for civil consumption under United States Lend-Lease and Canadian Mutual Aid have not yet been included.

(b) Includes Civil Imports £stg.73,399,000. (c) Goods destined for overseas countries are largely transferred from one State to another for transhipment to the overseas country. In this table such goods are shown against the State from which they were finally despatched.

(d) Estimated British currency values are shown in the next table. (e) Includes Civil Exports £A91,123,000.

## EXTERNAL TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE, AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.)

Year.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.(a)			Value per Head of Population.				
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.		
								Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.
	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1940-41 ..	237,433	111,918	123,556	1,959	125,515	33 17 3	15 19 3	17 12 5	0 5 7	17 18 0
1941-42 ..	286,932	152,005	133,229	1,698	134,927	40 4 1	21 6 0	18 13 4	0 4 9	18 18 1
1942-43 ..	314,687	214,442	98,084	2,161	100,245	43 10 7	29 13 3	13 11 4	0 6 0	13 17 4
1943-44 ..	331,336	214,225	113,790	3,321	117,111	45 7 3	29 6 7	15 11 7	0 9 1	16 0 8
1944-45 ..	312,452	188,483	121,042	2,927	123,969	42 15 3	25 15 11	16 11 4	0 8 0	16 19 4

(a) Excludes the value of Stores shipped in Australian ports on board overseas ships. The values of Ships' Stores in Australian currency were:—1940-41, £3,528,555; 1941-42, £5,791,983; 1942-43, £6,016,334; 1943-44, £8,478,714; 1944-45, £11,373,252.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Merchandise. (a)	Specie and Bullion.	Total. (b)	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.	£stg.'000.
1940-41 ..	108,650	3,268	111,918	107,575	17,940	125,515	— 1,075	14,672	13,597
1941-42 ..	149,356	2,649	152,005	127,209	7,718	134,927	— 22,147	5,069	17,078
1942-43 ..	212,107	2,335	214,442	100,241	4	100,245	— 111,866	— 2,331	114,197
1943-44 ..	210,029	4,196	214,225	117,103	8	117,111	— 92,926	— 4,188	97,114
1944-45 ..	186,044	2,439	188,483	123,961	8	123,969	— 62,083	— 2,431	64,514

(a) The values in Australian currency (£A'000) were:—1940-41, £134,738; 1941-42, £159,328; 1942-43, £125,552; 1943-44, £146,672; and 1944-45, £155,262. (b) The values in Australian currency are shown in the table above.



## CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions and Total Net Revenue collected during the September quarters of 1944 and 1945, the calendar years 1943 and 1944, and the financial years 1943-44 and 1944-45.

Division.	September Quarter.		Calendar Year.		Financial Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943.	1944.	1943-44.	1944-45.
<b>CUSTOMS.</b>	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.	£A.
1. Ale, Spirits, and Beverages	135,487	130,042	608,362	470,640	469,314	506,558
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof .. ..	1,567,207	1,397,030	5,719,184	5,777,630	5,644,023	5,725,003
3. Sugar .. ..	..	..	223	9	73	6
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries .. ..	198,702	197,461	704,036	644,072	614,036	789,549
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire ..	273,552	291,667	1,077,971	970,567	1,008,432	1,094,477
6. Metals and Machinery ..	232,816	233,629	1,155,872	1,046,344	1,265,365	880,057
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes	2,114,532	2,285,739	6,531,632	8,149,487	7,604,181	8,526,729
8. Earthenware, &c. ..	38,087	63,653	126,739	120,061	134,451	152,116
9. Drugs and Chemicals ..	52,504	55,541	177,194	164,464	152,894	197,417
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane ..	54,141	76,869	158,354	189,282	174,738	250,278
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods	104,294	84,665	318,946	349,395	329,755	355,004
12. Leather and Rubber ..	70,850	33,673	280,876	282,957	275,860	226,799
13. Paper and Stationery ..	19,672	18,448	87,096	63,927	90,768	68,467
14. Vehicles .. ..	8,613	11,483	62,017	28,555	38,732	29,144
15. Musical Instruments ..	145	487	226	573	376	527
16. Miscellaneous .. ..	155,337	291,867	638,563	498,668	535,524	763,659
Primage .. ..	692,325	643,271	2,380,571	2,380,579	2,476,838	2,330,884
Ships' Stores .. ..	8,825	8,009	38,182	32,650	33,826	34,379
Other Miscellaneous Receipts .. ..	31,906	29,808	121,285	122,140	116,419	128,960
<b>Total Customs .. ..</b>	<b>5,758,995</b>	<b>5,853,342</b>	<b>20,187,329</b>	<b>21,292,000</b>	<b>20,965,605</b>	<b>22,060,013</b>
<b>EXCISE.</b>						
Beer .. ..	4,913,644	5,234,773	21,096,982	21,829,506	21,615,974	21,674,224
Carbonic Acid Gas .. ..	67,295	70,226	314,562	319,519	313,930	321,079
Cigarette Papers .. ..	219,651	179,580	848,113	854,573	876,630	799,126
Matches .. ..	318,967	304,932	1,273,578	1,143,398	1,199,508	1,195,737
Petrol .. ..	70,321	40,248	423,632	289,293	370,956	325,389
Playing Cards .. ..	13,733	7,663	45,969	44,868	44,381	43,918
Spirits .. ..	1,415,131	1,276,169	5,292,790	5,474,020	5,424,690	5,498,031
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff .. ..	4,069,906	4,003,348	16,960,040	16,869,617	17,189,269	16,001,124
Other Excise, including Licences, &c. .. ..	55,481	110,761	252,205	252,821	246,615	252,242
<b>Total Excise .. ..</b>	<b>11,144,129</b>	<b>11,227,700</b>	<b>46,507,871</b>	<b>47,077,615</b>	<b>47,281,953</b>	<b>46,110,870</b>
<b>Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections ..</b>	<b>16,903,124</b>	<b>17,081,042</b>	<b>66,695,200</b>	<b>68,369,615</b>	<b>68,247,558</b>	<b>68,170,883</b>
<b>Refunds and Drawback paid .. ..</b>	<b>406,429</b>	<b>462,798</b>	<b>1,628,660</b>	<b>1,811,546</b>	<b>1,745,291</b>	<b>1,684,272</b>
<b>TOTAL NET REVENUE .. ..</b>	<b>16,496,695</b>	<b>16,618,244</b>	<b>65,066,540</b>	<b>66,558,069</b>	<b>66,502,267</b>	<b>66,486,611</b>



# VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.  
(Subject to revision.)

## IMPORTS (BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES).

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
<b>CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.</b>	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
<b>Fish—</b>				
Preserved in Tins .. .. .	306	181	486	644
Fresh, Smoked, Potted, &c. .. .. .	19	43	97	117
<b>Meats—</b>				
Preserved in Tins .. .. .	6	4	3	24
Potted and Concentrated .. .. .	1	4	45	6
Sausage Casings .. .. .	14	33	42	252
Milk and Cream .. .. .	4	1	26	40
Other Animal Foodstuffs .. .. .	7	33	7	28
<b>Total, Class I. .. .. .</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>1,111</b>
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.</b>				
Caramel, Paste and Butter .. .. .	..	64	..	..
Cocoa and Chocolate .. .. .	274	321	279	489
Coffee and Chicory .. .. .	162	136	348	530
Confectionery .. .. .	1	..	4	3
<b>Fruits—</b>				
Dried, including Dates .. .. .	..	..	1	125
Fresh .. .. .	..	1	1	1
Fruits and Vegetables, n.e.i., preserved in liquid .. .. .	..	1	2	1
Ginger .. .. .	..	18	2	30
<b>Grain and Pulse—</b>				
Unprepared .. .. .	55	153	235	134
Prepared .. .. .	4	2	3	10
Liquorice .. .. .	3	19	23	31
Nuts, Edible .. .. .	23	48	154	318
Pickles and Sauces .. .. .	..	..	..	4
Seeds—Canary, Hemp and Rape .. .. .	34	33	41	110
Spices .. .. .	23	36	98	162
Sugar and Sugar Products .. .. .	2	6	20	15
Tea .. .. .	782	893	3,288	3,692
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs .. .. .	11	56	92	44
<b>Total, Class II. .. .. .</b>	<b>1,374</b>	<b>1,787</b>	<b>4,591</b>	<b>5,699</b>
<b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.</b>				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, Perry .. .. .	..	..	3	..
<b>Spirits (Beverages)—</b>				
Brandy .. .. .	..	1	..	..
Gin .. .. .	..	..	6	1
Whisky .. .. .	164	60	101	339
Other, including Liqueurs .. .. .	..	..	1	6
Wine—Fermented .. .. .	..	..	1	..
<b>Total, Class III. .. .. .</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>346</b>



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
CLASS VIII.—(b) TEXTILES.				
Carpets and Other Floor Coverings .. ..	1	49	8	63
Cosies, Cushions, D'Oyleys .. ..	..	6	15	10
Handkerchiefs and Serviettes of Cotton or Linen	23	32	168	105
Piece Goods—				
Canvas and Duck .. ..	340	232	2,992	1,265
Cotton and Linen .. ..	3,423	2,503	11,990	16,948
Hessian and Jute Piece Goods .. ..	482	270	2,515	1,372
Lace for Attire, &c. .. ..	4	..	24	12
Silk, including Artificial Silk .. ..	1,780	1,601	4,840	6,502
Velvets, Plushes, &c. .. ..	4	9	15	35
Woollens .. ..	92	56	296	374
Other .. ..	276	233	1,038	1,498
Quilts, Tablecloths, Sheets, &c. .. ..	165	5	117	195
Towels and Towelling .. ..	97	104	268	285
Other Textiles .. ..	67	533	1,676	259
Total, Class VIII. (b) .. ..	6,754	5,633	25,962	28,923
CLASS VIII.—(c) APPAREL AND ATTIRE.				
Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, &c. (not knitted) ..	2	1	..	2
Blouses, Skirts, Jumpers, &c. (knitted) ..	1	1	2	3
Boots and Shoes .. ..	10	1	11	25
Buttons .. ..	5	6	40	19
Gloves .. ..	1	27	..	20
Hats and Caps .. ..	17	17	12	178
Socks and Stockings .. ..	1	..	9	2
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c. .. ..	20	2	11	340
Trimmings and Ornaments .. ..	110	97	327	292
Other Apparel and Attire .. ..	65	104	762	767
Total, Class VIII. (c) .. ..	232	256	1,174	1,648
Total, Class VIII. .. ..	9,420	7,113	33,854	39,783
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes, &c. .. ..	74	82	247	306
Oils—				
Kerosene .. ..	514	355	1,067	1,479
Lubricating (Mineral) .. ..	938	283	4,266	1,974
Olive .. ..	..	..	3	..
Petroleum .. ..	2,239	2,103	9,940	7,433
Residual .. ..	794	1,694	4,340	5,759
Turpentine .. ..	48	19	98	171
Other .. ..	246	268	870	999
Total, Class IX. .. ..	4,853	4,804	20,831	18,121
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.				
Paints and Colours .. ..	133	220	434	488
Varnishes, Stains, Lacquers, &c. .. ..	1	1	6	4
Total, Class X. .. ..	134	221	440	492



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS.				
Asphalt, Bitumen and Pitch .. ..	68	58	318	261
Stones—				
Abrasives .. ..	57	35	398	222
Other .. ..	2	..	14	9
Other Minerals, &c. .. ..	378	195	837	937
Total, Class XI. .. ..	505	288	1,567	1,429
CLASS XII.—(a) METALS AND MANUFACTURES.				
Alloys .. ..	104	11	658	187
Aluminium Blocks, Ingots, &c. .. ..	172	21	1,479	260
Bolts, Nuts, Rivets, Washers .. ..	17	8	47	93
Iron and Steel—				
Bars, Rods, &c. .. ..	101	77	609	326
Channels, Girders, Joists, &c. .. ..	5	..	..	5
Pipes and Tubes .. ..	45	16	193	118
Plate and Sheet—				
Plain .. ..	203	69	429	479
Tinned .. ..	736	1,125	3,801	3,994
Nails .. ..	13	4	45	47
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c. .. ..	3	..	..	7
Wire .. ..	36	54	64	96
Lamps and Lampware .. ..	70	28	146	193
Leaf and Foil .. ..	11	25	56	79
Pins, Hooks, Eyes, &c. .. ..	21	29	48	58
Platedware and Cutlery .. ..	170	131	492	483
Tools of Trade .. ..	426	296	1,347	1,444
Vehicles—				
Cycles and Cycle Parts .. ..	106	65	335	405
Motor Cars, &c.—				
Bodies and Parts .. ..	..	2	53	2
Chassis and Parts .. ..	2,748	1,841	12,128	8,926
Motor Cycles, Side Cars, &c. .. ..	144	3	448	279
Other Vehicles and Parts .. ..	4,484	5,092	47,438	24,188
Other Metals and Manufactures .. ..	434	550	2,616	1,396
Total, Class XII. (a) .. ..	10,049	9,447	72,432	43,065
CLASS XII.—(b) ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES AND EQUIPMENT.				
Electrical Machinery, &c.—				
Batteries and Accumulators .. ..	32	28	86	202
Cable and Wire, covered .. ..	236	113	1,015	662
Dynamo Electric Machines .. ..	369	501	478	778
Lamps, Filament .. ..	24	43	84	108
Telegraph, Telephone Instruments, &c. .. ..	260	287	705	1,380
Other Electrical Appliances .. ..	805	716	2,483	3,316
Total, Class XII. (b) .. ..	1,726	1,688	4,851	6,446

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
CLASS XII.—(c) MACHINES AND MACHINERY.				
Machinery—				
Agricultural, Horticultural, &c. .. ..	41	18	157	179
Dairying .. .. .	48	28	96	113
Metal working .. .. .	334	152	4,405	1,043
Mining .. .. .	70	127	202	263
Motive power .. .. .	2,471	2,563	8,221	10,149
Printing .. .. .	3	18	29	35
Machines—				
Sewing .. .. .	38	54	248	314
Sheep-shearing .. .. .	15	15	40	47
Weighing .. .. .	11	13	27	44
Roller Bearings and Ball Bearings .. ..	156	117	503	490
Yarn and Textile-making Machinery ..	75	111	297	284
Other Machines and Machinery .. ..	649	554	2,968	3,471
Total, Class XII. (c) .. ..	3,911	3,770	17,193	16,432
Total, Class XII. .. ..	15,686	14,905	94,476	65,943
CLASS XIII.—(a) RUBBER AND MANUFACTURES.				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Masticated, &c.	282	265	2,520	1,400
Rubber Manufactures—				
Elastics, &c. .. ..	5	19	12	45
Tyres, Pneumatic and Other .. ..	2	25	34	36
Other .. .. .	18	31	46	74
Total, Class XIII. (a) .. ..	307	340	2,612	1,555
CLASS XIII.—(b) LEATHER, ETC.				
Leather .. .. .	12	6	32	27
Leather Manufactures, &c. .. ..	3	4	18	12
Total, Class XIII. (b) .. ..	15	10	50	39
Total, Class XIII. .. ..	322	350	2,662	1,594
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber—				
Dressed .. .. .	47	51	48	190
Undressed .. .. .	206	327	475	929
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture .. .. .	24	68	89	95
Total, Class XIV. .. ..	277	446	612	1,214
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, GLASS.				
Crockery and Household Ware .. ..	136	186	356	570
Glass and Glassware .. .. .	106	131	306	459
Other Earthenware, Cements, China and Stone-ware .. .. .	22	83	118	115
Total, Class XV. .. ..	264	400	780	1,144

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
CLASS XVI.—(a) PAPER.				
Parchment .. .. .	5	..	209	172
Printing .. .. .	614	241	888	1,874
Wrapping .. .. .	70	101	391	309
Writing and Typewriting .. .. .	297	224	714	636
Other Paper .. .. .	166	132	535	597
Pulp for Paper-making .. .. .	398	268	653	785
Millboards and other boards .. .. .	32	47	141	175
Total, Class XVI. (a) .. .. .	1,582	1,013	3,531	4,548
CLASS XVI.—(b) STATIONERY, ETC.				
Books (printed), Directories, &c. .. .. .	485	420	1,164	1,431
Paperhangings and Wallpapers .. .. .	..	..	1	5
Pens and Pencils .. .. .	54	46	141	163
Price Lists, Circulars, &c. .. .. .	3	6	12	14
Other Stationery .. .. .	97	93	314	345
Total, Class XVI. (b) .. .. .	639	565	1,632	1,958
Total, Class XVI. .. .. .	2,221	1,578	5,163	6,506
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, ETC.				
Fancy Goods—				
Articles for games .. .. .	8	11	19	33
Toys, &c. .. .. .	2	13	1	23
Other .. .. .	21	26	98	82
Jewellery—				
Pearls, Cameos, &c. .. .. .	..	..	125	1
Other .. .. .	..	9	8	5
Timepieces, Watches, Clocks, &c. .. .. .	128	135	264	291
Total, Class XVII. .. .. .	159	194	515	435
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Films for Cinematographs, &c. .. .. .	163	124	402	476
Optical and Meteorological Instruments, &c. .. .. .	109	83	217	353
Phonographs, &c. .. .. .	3	6	22	14
Surgical and Dental Instruments .. .. .	154	176	652	555
Other Instruments .. .. .	70	169	225	272
Total, Class XVIII. .. .. .	499	558	1,518	1,670
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Acids .. .. .	23	48	99	72
Argol .. .. .	..	..	10	2
Cream of Tartar and Substitutes .. .. .	..	..	1	..
Cyanides of Potassium .. .. .	47	57	57	127
Drugs, Medicinal Preparations—				
Proprietary Medicines .. .. .	108	187	752	374
Other .. .. .	177	121	602	749
Dyes .. .. .	201	108	649	516
Fertilizers .. .. .	313	374	889	1,385
Insecticides, Washes and Dips .. .. .	35	38	151	191
Oils, Essential (non-spirituous) .. .. .	30	48	179	176
Perfumery and Preparations .. .. .	38	31	87	89



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
<b>CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, ETC.—<i>continued.</i></b>				
Potassium, Carbonate, Chlorates, &c. ..	13	16	69	42
Salt .. .. .	4	3	11	15
Sodium Salts—				
Carbonate (Soda Ash) .. .. .	46	37	196	230
Hydroxide (Caustic Soda) .. .. .	2	16	40	117
Other .. .. .	43	34	468	302
Spirituous Preparations—				
Essences, Fruit Ethers, Flavours, Juices,				
Syrups .. .. .	4	2	82	28
Other .. .. .	15	23	11	25
Other Drugs and Chemicals .. .. .	333	273	1,379	1,070
Total, Class XIX. .. .. .	1,432	1,416	5,732	5,510
<b>CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
Articles of Celluloid, &c. .. .. .	17	10	126	90
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives .. .. .	5,400	5,501	18,104	20,518
Bags, Baskets, Boxes, &c. .. .. .	2	3	4	6
Brushware .. .. .	3	7	17	23
Goods imported per parcel post .. .. .	160	156	547	545
Musical Instruments, &c. .. .. .	2	7	5	10
Oilmen's Stores .. .. .	1	..	56	75
Outside Packages .. .. .	864	600	3,972	2,719
Passengers' Effects .. .. .	38	60	108	208
Packings for Engines .. .. .	62	54	179	265
Vessels (Ships) .. .. .	251	6	1,278	381
All other Articles .. .. .	381	71	3,044	678
Total, Class XX. .. .. .	7,181	6,475	27,440	25,518
<b>CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.</b>				
Gold, including Gold in matte .. .. .	288	242	1,284	1,132
Silver, including Silver in matte .. .. .	300	134	2,753	1,307
Bronze Specie .. .. .	..	359	159	..
Total, Class XXI. .. .. .	588	735	4,196	2,439
<b>SUMMARY.</b>				
Importing States—				
New South Wales .. .. .	25,109	23,466	101,868	101,330
Victoria .. .. .	17,379	14,615	90,252	64,768
Queensland .. .. .	2,384	3,962	12,870	12,956
South Australia .. .. .	1,444	1,579	4,781	4,657
Western Australia .. .. .	1,213	1,015	3,408	4,042
Tasmania .. .. .	267	319	1,046	730
Northern Territory .. .. .	..	44	..	..
GRAND TOTAL .. .. .	47,796	45,000	214,225	188,483

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.

## BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

TOTAL IMPORTS—	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
Merchandise .. .. .	47,208	44,265	210,029	186,044
Bullion and Specie .. .. .	588	735	4,196	2,439
GRAND TOTAL .. .. .	47,796	45,000	214,225	188,483

## ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

TOTAL IMPORTS—	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
Merchandise .. .. .	59,128	55,442	263,061	233,021
Bullion and Specie .. .. .	736	920	5,255	3,054
GRAND TOTAL .. .. .	59,864	56,362	268,316	236,075

## EXPORTS (AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES).

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
Butter .. .. .	384	1,167	6,871	8,250
Butter Fat (dry) .. .. .	..	..	29	11
Butter Substitutes .. .. .	342	80	722	1,055
Cheese .. .. .	604	325	1,954	1,975
Eggs .. .. .	17	88	376	443
Infants and Invalids' Foods .. .. .	34	99	32	125
Meats—				
Bacon and Hams .. .. .	157	429	628	672
Mutton, Dehydrated .. .. .	181	13	802	642
Potted or Concentrated .. .. .	26	35	123	105
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef .. .. .	501	963	1,246	1,663
Lamb .. .. .	91	61	4,142	3,218
Mutton .. .. .	93	98	502	725
Pork .. .. .	637	186	587	1,437
Rabbits and Hares .. .. .	58	53	41	175
Preserved in Tins .. .. .	912	1,338	4,093	4,476
Sausage Casings .. .. .	71	66	415	398
Other .. .. .	104	197	484	535
Milk and Cream .. .. .	229	345	1,448	1,780
Other Animal Foodstuffs .. .. .	221	578	383	556
Total, Class I. .. .. .	4,662	6,121	24,878	28,241

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.				
Aerated Waters, Cocoa, Coffee and Chicory,				
Fruit Juices, &c. . . . .	77	179	655	652
Biscuits . . . . .	67	140	928	618
Confectionery . . . . .	61	87	461	292
Fodders . . . . .	28	34	98	46
Fruits, Dried—				
Currants . . . . .	372	95	714	828
Raisins . . . . .	1,303	244	2,449	2,648
Other . . . . .	11	63	131	95
Fruits, Fresh—				
Apples . . . . .	8	34	46	99
Citrus . . . . .	95	56	256	210
Other . . . . .	2	2	14	9
Fruits, preserved in liquid . . . . .	51	167	530	508
Fruits and Vegetables, pulped . . . . .	9	450	53	91
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared—				
Barley . . . . .	18	..	206	57
Wheat . . . . .	5,142	55	8,264	9,752
Other . . . . .	47	35	114	364
Prepared—				
Bran, Pollard and Sharps . . . . .	41	..	88	138
Flour (Wheaten) . . . . .	1,864	717	6,699	6,732
Rice . . . . .	95	121	591	509
Other . . . . .	119	111	476	527
Jams and Fruit Jellies . . . . .	264	376	557	692
Sugar . . . . .	192	944	1,524	1,854
Tea . . . . .	18	91	135	151
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs . . . . .	302	1,157	1,596	1,854
Total, Class II. . . . .	10,186	5,158	26,585	28,726
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.				
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider, Perry . . . . .	173	217	338	693
Spirits (Beverages) . . . . .	230	164	593	546
Wine . . . . .	133	176	423	596
Total, Class III. . . . .	536	557	1,354	1,835
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.				
Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff . . . . .	36	170	331	287
Tobacco . . . . .	74	179	532	533
Total, Class IV. . . . .	110	349	863	820
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle . . . . .	11	..	3	24
Horses . . . . .	2	3	26	3
Sheep . . . . .	1	2	11	7
Other Animals . . . . .	4	2	9	17
Total, Class V. . . . .	18	7	49	51



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds .. ..	42	..	64	159
Hides and Skins—				
Calf, Cattle and Horse .. ..	48	54	284	243
Fox .. ..	61	11	272	78
Kangaroo and Wallaby .. ..	36	105	261	358
Opossum .. ..	27	8	38	136
Rabbit .. ..	2,078	2,553	4,494	3,864
Sheep .. ..	410	1,323	1,338	1,833
Other .. ..	37	3	66	90
Pearl-shell .. ..	..	6	..	5
Trochus-shell .. ..	7	6	18	25
Wool—				
Greasy .. ..	7,274	10,323	36,232	38,745
Scoured and Tops .. ..	2,648	3,135	9,535	10,642
Other Animal Substances .. ..	4	6	24	29
Total, Class VI. .. ..	12,672	17,533	52,626	56,207
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES.				
Fibres .. ..	135	153	654	710
Seeds .. ..	64	43	201	142
Tanning Substances .. ..	12	15	47	57
Other Vegetable Substances .. ..	23	9	49	79
Total, Class VII. .. ..	234	220	951	988
CLASS VIII.—APPAREL AND ATTIRE; TEXTILES; MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
Manufactured Fibres, including Bags, Cordage and Yarns .. ..	65	107	678	343
Piece Goods .. ..	101	183	259	890
Other Textiles .. ..	248	193	127	556
Boots and Shoes .. ..	23	17	198	62
Other Apparel and Attire .. ..	140	297	1,666	470
Total, Class VIII. .. ..	577	797	2,928	2,321
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.				
Fats and Waxes .. ..	51	83	167	248
Oils .. ..	1,191	401	3,371	2,481
Tallow, unrefined .. ..	286	145	904	670
Total, Class IX. .. ..	1,528	629	4,442	3,399
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES .. ..	27	40	109	104
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS.				
Coal .. ..	49	17	182	224
Ores and Concentrates—				
Silver and Silver Lead .. ..	428	43	604	782
Zinc .. ..	200	207	1,125	865
Other .. ..	144	151	441	577
Other Stones and Minerals .. ..	23	9	120	98
Total, Class XI. .. ..	844	427	2,472	2,546

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
Iron and Steel .. .. .	173	741	819	1,196
Lead—Pig and in Matte .. .. .	1,721	797	3,158	5,558
Tin Ingots .. .. .	26	47	314	181
Vehicles .. .. .	77	443	372	693
Zinc Bars, Blocks, &c. .. .. .	444	577	1,203	1,879
Other Metals and Manufactures .. .. .	147	387	434	775
Electrical Appliances and Equipment .. .. .	89	76	183	299
Machines and Machinery .. .. .	154	258	823	818
Total, Class XII. .. .. .	2,831	3,326	7,306	11,399
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER.				
Rubber and Manufactures .. .. .	126	177	385	400
Leather .. .. .	236	147	500	560
Leather Manufactures, & ... .. .	8	13	53	47
Total, Class XIII. .. .. .	370	337	938	1,007
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.				
Timber .. .. .	56	99	273	124
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture .. .. .	25	41	80	362
Total, Class XIV. .. .. .	81	140	353	486
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, GLASS AND STONE-WARE .. .. .	62	99	192	325
CLASS XVI.—PAPER, ETC.				
Paper .. .. .	10	19	75	53
Stationery .. .. .	159	92	300	420
Total, Class XVI. .. .. .	169	111	375	473
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES AND FANCY GOODS.				
Precious Stones—Unset—Pearls, Cameos, &c. .. .. .	1	2	11	9
Other Jewellery, Timepieces, &c. .. .. .	7	55	103	81
Total, Class XVII. .. .. .	8	57	114	90
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Films for Cinematographs, &c. .. .. .	8	8	34	41
Photographic Goods, &c. .. .. .	20	7	39	67
Talking Machines, &c. .. .. .	5	9	26	30
Other Instruments .. .. .	7	63	86	136
Total, Class XVIII. .. .. .	40	87	185	274

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.				
Casein .. .. .	..	..	3	1
Fertilizers .. .. .	2	7	16	12
Medicines .. .. .	41	137	208	232
Oils—				
Essential (non-spirituous), n.e.i. .. .. .	2	2	4	16
Eucalyptus .. .. .	44	35	124	136
Perfumery and Preparations .. .. .	147	218	609	521
Other Drugs and Chemicals .. .. .	126	346	580	939
Total, Class XIX. .. .. .	362	745	1,544	1,857
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives .. .. .	3,777	1,261	7,077	10,000
Miscellaneous Articles to Pacific Islands .. .. .	6	10	24	19
Oilmen's Stores .. .. .	95	..	452	989
Personal and Household Effects .. .. .	19	64	64	121
Vessels transferred abroad .. .. .	..	41	..	..
Goods Exported per parcel post .. .. .	5	9	18	26
All other Articles .. .. .	190	401	773	958
Total, Class XX. .. .. .	4,092	1,786	8,408	12,113
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Silver, including Silver in matte .. .. .	4	2	9	9
Bronze Specie .. .. .	..	..	1	..
Total, Class XXI. .. .. .	4	2	10	9
SUMMARY.				
States of Final Shipment—				
New South Wales .. .. .	14,147	18,763	54,089	60,837
Victoria .. .. .	9,505	8,035	36,547	40,070
Queensland .. .. .	4,463	5,667	17,889	18,283
South Australia .. .. .	7,402	2,063	15,585	19,167
Western Australia .. .. .	2,956	3,023	11,423	12,383
Tasmania .. .. .	940	976	1,149	2,531
Northern Territory .. .. .	..	1	..	..
Unrecorded Exports (estimated) .. .. .	..	..	10,000	2,000
Total { Australian Produce .. .. .	38,191	37,638	142,522	151,605
{ Other Produce .. .. .	1,222	890	4,160	3,666
GRAND TOTAL .. .. .	39,413	38,528	146,682	155,271



VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued*.

Article.	September Quarter.		Year.	
	1944.	1945.	1943-44.	1944-45.

## AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.

	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.	£A. '000.
TOTAL EXPORTS—				
Merchandise .. .. .	39,409	38,526	146,672	155,262
Bullion and Specie—				
Australian Produce .. .. .	4	2	3	9
Other Produce .. .. .	..	..	7	..
Total, Bullion and Specie .. .. .	4	2	10	9
GRAND TOTAL .. .. .	39,413	38,528	146,682	155,271

## ESTIMATED BRITISH CURRENCY VALUES.

	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.	£ Stg. '000.
TOTAL EXPORTS—				
Merchandise .. .. .	31,464	30,759	117,103	123,961
Bullion and Specie—				
Gold .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Silver and Bronze .. .. .	3	2	8	8
Total, Bullion and Specie .. .. .	3	2	8	8
GRAND TOTAL .. .. .	31,467	30,761	117,111	123,969
VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN GOLD PRODUCTION .. .. .	£A. '000. 1,934	£A. '000. 2,100	£A. '000. 7,120	£A. '000. 6,905

## PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Butter.	Cheese.	Meats.				
			Bacon and Hams.	Beef.(a)	Mutton and Lamb.	Pork.	Preserved in Tins.

## QUANTITY.

	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
1940-41..	1,957,086	339,078	66,769	1,986,350	2,389,254	748,896	425,165
1941-42..	1,303,472	314,573	57,643	1,172,565	1,749,399	342,404	941,461
1942-43..	1,243,207	259,643	26,397	226,289	2,036,815	19,970	691,656
1943-44..	1,042,265	329,748	86,252	474,470	1,715,698	160,172	796,931
1944-45..	937,398	335,168	84,862	627,614	1,466,901	398,818	815,147
1945-46 (3 months)	157,159	53,891	39,600	389,395	69,284	50,283	224,885

(a) Includes Veal.

**Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported  
from Australia—continued.**

Year.	Butter.	Cheese.	Meats.				
			Bacon and Hams.	Beef.(a)	Mutton and Lamb.	Pork.	Preserved in Tins.

VALUE.—(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)

	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1940-41..	11,973	1,544	440	3,762	6,142	2,303	1,874
1941-42..	8,125	1,428	395	2,498	4,671	1,108	4,550
1942-43..	8,086	1,225	206	561	5,496	86	3,238
1943-44..	6,871	1,954	628	1,246	4,644	587	4,093
1944-45..	8,250	1,975	672	1,653	3,940	1,437	4,476
1945-46 (3 months)	1,167	325	429	963	159	186	1,338

Year.	Fruits, Dried.		Fruits Preserved in Liquid— Apricots, Peaches, Pears, Pine- apples, and Other.	Wheat.	Flour.	Wool.	
	Vine.	Other.				Greasy.	Scoured. (b)

QUANTITY.

	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
1940-41..	1,431,725	29,887	444,978	28,174,469	15,438,107	4,908,801	603,459
1941-42..	1,434,660	39,731	499,131	13,387,573	8,273,681	7,363,434	927,842
1942-43..	1,298,535	24,172	134,464	13,526,462	6,834,379	5,181,276	516,692
1943-44..	1,680,747	36,299	211,688	20,195,075	11,810,882	4,551,147	702,954
1944-45..	1,734,227	18,597	217,047	19,434,870	11,195,390	4,967,171	816,536
1945-46 (3 months)	154,482	10,104	63,761	78,124	931,877	1,464,141	252,541

VALUE.—(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.)

	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.	£A.'000.
1940-41..	2,366	122	802	9,248	7,427	32,889	6,756
1941-42..	2,421	146	908	4,645	4,191	47,832	10,209
1942-43..	2,172	105	290	4,884	3,495	37,694	6,624
1943-44..	3,163	131	530	8,264	6,699	36,232	9,535
1944-45..	3,476	95	508	9,752	6,732	33,745	10,642
1945-46 (3 months)	339	63	167	55	717	10,323	3,135

(a) Includes Veal.

(b) Includes Tops, Nolls and Waste.

## Section IV.—Finance.

## (A.) COMMONWEALTH FINANCE.

## COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

## Receipts.

Sources of Revenue.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
<b>TAXATION—</b>	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Customs .. .. .	29,410	25,209	20,806	20,607	21,488
Excise .. .. .	24,370	31,572	44,072	46,685	45,689
Sales Tax .. .. .	19,793	26,830	28,846	27,909	29,672
Flour Tax .. .. .	1,499	1,652	1,709	1,940	1,996
Land Tax .. .. .	3,191	3,691	3,873	3,819	3,664
Income Tax(a) .. .. .	43,305	77,564	141,027	183,799	215,534
Pay-roll Tax .. .. .	..	8,963	10,451	10,903	11,088
Gold Tax .. .. .	1,452	1,030	525	318	343
Estate Duty .. .. .	2,364	2,845	2,696	2,761	3,090
Entertainments Tax .. .. .	..	..	2,994	4,794	5,027
Gift Duty .. .. .	..	80	145	222	329
<b>Total Taxation</b> .. .. .	<b>125,384</b>	<b>179,436</b>	<b>257,144</b>	<b>303,667</b>	<b>337,920</b>
<b>BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—</b>					
Postmaster-General's Department	19,075	21,639	24,391	26,679	27,872
<b>Railways—</b>					
Trans-Australian .. .. .	462	694	1,226	1,027	989
Central Australia .. .. .	244	742	1,584	1,737	1,046
North Australia .. .. .	186	306	792	823	820
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	8	5	15	15	11
<b>Total Railways</b> .. .. .	<b>900</b>	<b>1,747</b>	<b>3,617</b>	<b>3,602</b>	<b>2,866</b>
<b>Total Business Undertakings</b>	<b>19,975</b>	<b>23,386</b>	<b>28,008</b>	<b>30,281</b>	<b>30,738</b>
<b>TERRITORIES(b) .. .. .</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>492</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>455</b>
<b>OTHER REVENUE—</b>					
Interest(c) .. .. .	1,186	997	1,081	1,166	1,202
Coinage .. .. .	753	868	2,589	2,028	1,307
Defence .. .. .	304	835	1,490	202	126
Civil Aviation .. .. .	138	185	401	770	1,173
Health .. .. .	14	114	14	24	12
Patents, Trade Marks, Copyrights	57	55	58	67	77
Bankruptcy .. .. .	32	25	23	17	16
<b>Commerce—</b>					
Wool levy(d) .. .. .	84	86	82	85	75
Other .. .. .	3	37	258	115	13
Marine .. .. .	134	133	101	96	261
Net Profit, Note Issue .. .. .	1,462	1,658	2,248	2,629	2,949
Balance of Trust Accounts .. .. .	31	1,600	218	127	102
Other.. .. .	418	134	297	432	428
<b>Total</b> .. .. .	<b>4,616</b>	<b>6,727</b>	<b>8,860</b>	<b>7,758</b>	<b>7,741</b>
<b>Grand Total</b> .. .. .	<b>150,482</b>	<b>210,041</b>	<b>294,459</b>	<b>342,188</b>	<b>376,854</b>
<b>PER HEAD(e)—</b>	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taxation .. .. .	17 14 9	25 2 10	35 14 5	41 15 10	46 0 3
Business Undertakings .. .. .	2 16 6	3 5 6	3 17 10	4 3 4	4 3 9
Other.. .. .	0 14 7	1 0 3	1 5 10	1 2 8	1 2 4
<b>Total</b> .. .. .	<b>21 5 10</b>	<b>29 8 7</b>	<b>40 18 1</b>	<b>47 1 10</b>	<b>51 6 4</b>

(a) Includes War-time (Company) Tax and Super Tax. (b) Excludes Railways—see Business Undertakings. (c) Excludes balance of interest on States' debts (payable by States). (d) For Publicity and Research. (e) Based on mean population of each financial year.

## Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Expenditure.

Departments, &c.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
War and Repatriation (1914-19) Services—					
Interest, Sinking Fund and Exchange ..	9,569	9,682	9,384	9,313	9,121
War Pensions .. .. .	8,042	7,909	8,346	9,267	9,250
Repatriation .. .. .	845	829	850	902	759
Other .. .. .	147	198	141	122	159
Total, War, &c. .. ..	18,603	18,618	18,721	19,604	19,289
Defence and War (1939-45) Services—					
Interest, Sinking Fund and Exchange ..	2,640	7,112	15,119	24,762	34,198
War Pensions .. .. .	..	207	662	1,737	2,771
Other .. .. .	63,041	101,915	143,697	141,344	157,605
Total, Defence, War, &c... ..	65,681	109,234	159,478	167,843	194,574
Total Cost of Departments (a)—					
Governor-General .. .. .	30	31	29	32	49
Parliament .. .. .	548	473	487	599	603
Prime Minister and External Territories	1,283	1,350	1,384	1,623	1,651
External Affairs .. .. .	142	200	216	251	244
Treasury .. .. .	2,425	2,949	3,564	3,779	3,936
Attorney-General .. .. .	297	319	351	387	434
Interior .. .. .	963	955	917	881	937
Civil Aviation .. .. .	392	337	350	360	439
Trade and Customs .. .. .	963	956	872	816	873
Health .. .. .	296	300	386	379	393
Commerce and Agriculture .. .. .	911	976	1,022	1,034	1,043
Social Services .. .. .	162	282	393	412	443
Supply and Shipping .. .. .	229	241	246	275	273
Business Undertakings (a)—					
Postmaster-General .. .. .	15,877	17,528	19,939	22,481	23,993
Railways .. .. .	1,508	1,995	2,726	3,069	2,795
Territories (a) (b)—					
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	679	698	677	698	737
Northern Territory .. .. .	462	520	329	302	295
Papua .. .. .	86	39	5	5	5
New Guinea .. .. .	7	17	2	2	2
Norfolk Island .. .. .	4	6	5	4	4
Total, Territories .. .. .	1,238	1,280	1,018	1,011	1,043
New Works (c) .. .. .	3,212	3,305	3,961	4,677	5,705
Invalid and Old-age Pensions .. .. .	17,366	19,257	22,293	21,699	21,701
Child Endowment .. .. .	..	11,303	11,660	12,257	12,036
Widows' Pensions .. .. .	..	..	2,359	2,801	2,965
Maternity Allowances .. .. .	407	358	281	2,287	2,543
Funeral Benefit .. .. .	..	..	..	105	164
National Welfare Fund—Balance .. .. .	..	..	..	25,525	27,293
Payments to or for States—					
Interest on States' Debts .. .. .	7,585	7,585	7,585	7,585	7,585
Sinking Fund on States' Debts .. .. .	1,557	1,580	1,588	1,578	1,683
Special Grants .. .. .	2,050	2,300	2,175	2,470	2,846
Grants for Federal Aid Roads .. .. .	3,484	2,128	1,603	1,487	2,201
Income Tax Reimbursement .. .. .	..	..	26,432	32,047	32,666
Entertainments Tax Reimbursement .. .. .	..	..	574	766	766
Other Grants .. .. .	250	138	140	127	122
Total to or for States (d) .. .. .	14,926	13,731	40,097	46,060	47,869
Relief to Primary Producers .. .. .	3,023	4,063	(e) 1,709	(e) 1,941	(e) 3,566
Grand Total .. .. .	150,482	210,041	294,459	342,188	376,854
Per Head of Population (f) .. .. .	£21 5 10	£29 8 7	£40 18 1	£47 1 10	£51 6 4

(a) Includes interest and sinking fund payments. (b) Excludes Railways—see Business Undertakings. (c) Excludes Defence and War (1939-45) Services. (d) Excludes balance of interest payable on States' Debt (recoverable from States). (e) In addition, £3,085,000 was provided under War Services during 1942-43, £12,322,000 during 1943-44 and £14,280,000 during 1944-45. (f) Based on mean population for each financial year.



## Commonwealth Expenditure from General Loan Fund.

Particulars.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.	Total to 30th June, 1945.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Defence and War (1939-45) Services— General Services, Works, &c. ..	101,581	210,877	402,852	377,157	266,040	1,387,321
Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.— Defence Buildings, Works, Sites ..	..	..	..	..	..	8,694
Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works ..	..	..	..	..	Cr. 1	213
Ships, Yards and Docks ..	..	..	..	..	..	7,863
Lighthouses, Works and Services ..	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	..	634
River Murray Waters Act ..	..	..	..	..	..	2,106
Postmaster-General's Department— Telegraph and Telephone Con- struction ..	1,689	940	..	..	..	36,057
Buildings, Works, Sites, &c. ..	221	245	..	..	..	4,080
Subscription to Capital of Amalga- mated Wireless Ltd. ..	..	..	..	..	..	300
Radio Stations and Equipment ..	3	15	..	..	..	104
Serum and Health Laboratories ..	..	..	..	..	..	80
Other Health Buildings and Services ..	..	Cr. 1	..	..	..	22
Reparation Buildings, &c. ..	..	..	..	..	..	47
War Service Homes (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	7,329
Railways ..	Cr. 2	Cr. 18	Cr. 35	Cr. 10	Cr. 41	13,775
Territories (b) ..	Cr. 4	Cr. 7	Cr. 5	Cr. 6	Cr. 8	8,804
Other ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,062
Assistance to States— Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 45	Cr. 6	Cr. 6	(c) 223	..	2,667
Mining ..	..	..	..	..	..	284
Forestry ..	..	..	..	..	..	322
Farmers' Debt Adjustment ..	500	165	235	..	..	7,967
Roads ..	..	..	..	..	..	250
Wire and Wire Netting ..	..	..	..	..	..	609
Drought Relief ..	1,270	597	Cr. 23	..	..	1,844
Wheat Bounty ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,430
Total Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c. ..	3,628	1,929	165	206	Cr. 50	110,543
GRAND TOTAL ..	105,209	212,806	403,017	377,363	265,990	1,497,864

(a) In addition, £13,045,000 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24. (b) Includes Administration and other Public Buildings, A.C.T. (c) Adjustment of credits of previous years.

## Loans Raised in Australia during War (1939-45) at 30th September, 1945.

(Excludes Conversion Loans.)

Period of Raising.	Amount Invited.	Number of Subscribers.	Amount Subscribed.		Rates of Interest.	Years of Maturity.
			For War.	For other Purposes.		
	£'000.		£'000.	£'000.	%	
1/12/39 ..	12,000	C'wlth. Bank	2,000	10,000	3½	1942, 1943, 1944
1/3/40 to 15/3/40 ..	18,000	14,339	7,676	10,489	3½	1945, 1950-56
29/5/40 to 14/6/40 ..	20,000	32,792	20,582	..	2½	1945, 1950-56
28/11/40 to 14/12/40	28,000	21,830	20,505	8,000	2½	1945, 1950-56
30/4/41 to 19/5/41 ..	35,000	57,217	27,872	8,000	2½	1946, 1950-56
7/10/41 to 15/11/41 ..	30,000	83,378	34,158	..	2½	1945-46, 1950-57
17/2/42 to 10/3/42 ..	35,000	244,589	48,831	..	2½	1945-46, 1950-58
2/6/42 to 23/6/42 ..	35,000	196,510	37,374	..	2½	1946-47, 1950-58
3/11/42 to 15/12/42 ..	77,300	454,837	82,667	..	2½	1946-47, 1950-58
16/3/43 to 20/4/43 ..	100,000	432,404	101,806	..	2½	1947-48, 1950-59
5/10/43 to 9/11/43 ..	125,000	567,539	126,408	..	2½	1947-48, 1950-59
28/3/44 to 9/5/44 ..	150,000	452,700	150,549	..	2½	1948-49, 1950-60
26/9/44 to 4/11/44 ..	112,479	421,517	113,938	..	2½	1948-49, 1950-60
13/3/45 to 27/4/45 ..	100,000	420,711	107,279	..	2½	1949-50, 1950-61
25/9/45 to 10/11/45 ..	85,000	(b)253,409	(b)86,351	..	2½	1949-50, 1950-61
Total ..	962,779	3,653,772	(a)967,496	36,489	..	..

(a) In addition, £6,586,016 raised for Defence purposes prior to 3rd September, 1939, was used for War purposes. (b) Preliminary, subject to revision.

NOTE.—For a summary of loan liability, War (1939-45), as at 30th June, 1945, see following table.

**COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT, AND INTEREST PAYABLE  
AT 30th SEPTEMBER, 1945.**

Debt on Account of—	Australia.	London.	New York.	Total.
Commonwealth—	£'000 (Aust.)	£'000 (Stg.)	£'000 (a)	£'000 (b)
War (1914-19) .. ..	159,137	90,369	..	249,506
War (1939-45)—				
Stock and Bonds ..	872,150	5,775	..	877,925
Advance Loan Subscriptions .. ..	24,884	..	..	24,884
National Savings Bonds ..	1,792	..	..	1,792
National Savings Stamps ..	64	..	..	64
Citizens' National Emergency Loans ..	5,481	247	..	5,728
War Savings Certificates ..	53,622	..	..	53,622
War Savings Stamps ..	413	..	..	413
Treasury Bills—Internal ..	85,700	..	..	85,700
Bank ..	363,280	..	..	363,280
Total .. ..	1,407,386	6,022	..	1,413,408
Works and other Purposes ..	47,489	53,785	15,790	117,064
Total—Commonwealth Purposes .. ..	1,614,012	150,176	15,790	1,779,978
Per Head of Population(c)	£218 11 2	£20 6 9	£2 2 9	£241 0 8
State—				
Debts of the States ..	542,888	337,783	25,309	905,980
Per Head of Population(d)	£73 14 3	£45 17 3	£3 8 9	£123 0 3
Total Public Debt ..	2,156,900	487,959	41,099	2,685,958
Per Head of Population(c)	£292 1 5	£66 1 6	£5 11 4	£363 14 3

**INTEREST PAYABLE.**

	£ (Aust.)	£ (Stg.)	£(a)	£(e)
Commonwealth—				
War (1914-19) .. ..	5,977,610	(f) 395,968	..	6,373,578
War (1939-45) .. ..	34,148,868	231,000	..	34,379,868
Works and other Purposes ..	1,355,779	1,786,925	771,780	3,914,484
Total—Commonwealth Purposes .. ..	41,482,257	2,413,893	771,780	44,667,930
Average Rate per cent.(g)	£2 11 7	£3 8 9	£4 17 9	£2 12 9
State—				
Debts of the States ..	17,654,949	12,019,683	1,257,593	30,932,225
Average Rate per cent. ..	£3 5 0	£3 11 2	£4 19 5	£3 8 3
Grand Total .. ..	59,137,206	14,433,576	2,029,373	75,600,155
Average Rate per cent.(g) ..	£2 15 0	£3 10 9	£4 18 9	£2 18 2

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1 (Stg.). (b) The total "face" or "book" values of the Public Debt of the Commonwealth and States leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated. (c) Based on estimated population of Australia (including A.C.T. and N.T.) at 30th June, 1945 (subject to revision). (d) Based on estimated aggregate population of the six States at 30th June, 1945 (subject to revision). (e) Nominal amount (and average rate) of interest payable—takes no account of exchange. (f) Excludes suspended interest £3,919,774 on War Debt (£79,724,221) due to British Government. (g) Interest Free Loans, War and National Savings Stamps excluded when calculating rate.

### AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS AND BY THE PUBLIC.

Particulars.	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.	Reserve.	
				Amount. (a)	Percentage on total circulation.
	£	£	£	£'000.	%
1940 (b) .. .. .	13,927,376	44,444,954	58,372,330	16,269	28.1
1941 (b) .. .. .	14,318,069	55,069,055	69,387,124	18,559	26.8
1942 (b) .. .. .	14,879,107	88,189,429	103,068,536	26,777	25.9
1943 (b) .. .. .	15,456,884	126,935,667	142,392,551	36,518	25.7
1944 (b) .. .. .	15,925,325	171,910,855	187,836,180	48,200	25.7
1945 (c)—April .. ..	17,708,803	168,534,822	186,243,625	50,856	27.3
May .. .. .	16,747,435	168,996,190	185,743,625	50,856	27.4
June .. .. .	15,934,018	169,809,607	185,743,625	50,856	27.4
July .. .. .	15,913,002	167,050,870	182,963,872	50,858	27.8
August .. .. .	16,678,422	168,785,450	185,463,872	(d)	(d)
September .. .. .	15,746,996	170,216,876	185,963,872	(d)	(d)

(a) Includes English sterling, valued in Australian currency. (b) Average of twelve monthly statements. (c) On last Monday in each month. (d) The Commonwealth Bank Act 1945 repealed the provisions requiring the Commonwealth Bank to hold a reserve in Gold and English Sterling.

### COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

Denomination.	29th Sept., 1941.	28th Sept., 1942.	27th Sept., 1943.	25th Sept., 1944.	24th Sept., 1945.
	£	£	£	£	£
10s. .. .. .	4,945,045	6,022,106	6,917,646	8,076,445	8,206,619
£1 .. .. .	30,631,873	43,308,467	52,306,382	61,483,350	75,558,733
£5 .. .. .	21,033,340	38,518,565	55,520,170	71,899,600	75,045,420
£10 .. .. .	9,411,800	16,188,010	26,084,940	46,123,280	26,372,660
£20 .. .. .	71,080	60,620	55,180	48,900	10,640
£50 .. .. .	2,202,200	2,905,200	3,644,350	4,075,050	162,500
£100 .. .. .	3,247,700	4,089,400	5,091,400	5,388,000	236,300
£1,000 .. .. .	571,000	514,000	392,000	649,000	371,000
Held by banks .. ..	14,267,161	15,195,825	15,311,372	15,805,075	15,746,996
" public .. .. .	57,846,877	6,410,543	134,700,696	181,938,550	170,216,876
Total .. .. .	72,114,038	111,606,368	150,012,068	197,743,625	185,963,872
Reserve(a) { Gold .. .. .	74,839	73,780	73,780	74,132	(b)
English .. .. .	18,880,183	29,036,433	38,192,683	50,469,718	(b)
Sterling .. .. .	18,955,022	29,110,213	38,266,463	50,543,850	(b)
Total .. .. .	26.28	26.08	25.51	25.56	(b)
Percentage on circulation					

(a) Valued in Australian currency.

(b) See note (d) to table above.

### OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1945.

State.	Number of Pensioners at 30th June, 1945.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June, 1945.		Pensions Paid during 1944-45. (a)	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.	Old-age.	Inva- lid.	Old-age.	Inva- lid.	Amount.	Per head of Popn. (b)
New South Wales(e)	103,429	25,975	129,404	355	89	s. d. 50 6	s. d. 52 10	£ 8,993,577	s. d. 62 0
Victoria .. .. .	67,240	12,598	79,838	334	63	51 10	52 4	5,604,739	55 11
Queensland .. ..	32,710	9,085	41,795	303	84	52 1	52 9	2,943,029	54 11
South Australia(d)	22,030	4,510	26,540	347	71	50 8	51 11	1,811,704	57 5
Western Australia	17,713	3,414	21,127	360	69	51 2	52 3	1,473,298	60 4
Tasmania .. .. .	9,512	2,699	12,211	384	109	51 4	52 6	874,780	70 11
Total .. .. .	252,634	58,281	310,915	342	79	51 2	52 7	21,701,127e	59 1

(a) Includes amounts paid to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these institutions. (b) Based on mean population for the financial year.

(c) Includes A.C.T. (d) Includes N.T. (e) Includes allowances to wives of invalid pensioners, but excludes £163,993 funeral benefits in respect of deaths of pensioners.

## OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS SUMMARY.

Year ended 30th June—	Number of Pensioners.			Number of Pensioners in each 10,000 of Population.(a)		Pensions Payments during Year. (b)	Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June.
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total.	Old-age.	Invalid.		
						£	s. d.
1911 ..	75,502	7,451	82,953	168	17	1,847,440	19 1
1912 ..	79,071	10,763	89,834	170	23	2,149,659	19 0
1913 ..	82,943	13,739	96,682	172	29	2,301,675	19 6
1914 ..	87,780	16,865	104,645	177	34	2,592,201	19 5
1915 ..	90,892	20,417	111,309	182	41	2,718,939	19 5
1916 ..	91,783	23,439	115,222	186	47	2,891,597	19 4
1917 ..	93,672	26,781	120,453	190	54	3,554,135	24 3
1918 ..	95,387	29,012	125,299	190	59	3,793,037	24 3
1919 ..	95,969	31,999	127,968	185	62	3,936,626	24 2
1920 ..	99,170	35,231	134,401	185	66	4,484,304	29 1
1921 ..	102,415	37,981	140,396	188	69	5,150,241	28 9
1922 ..	105,096	39,019	144,115	189	70	5,380,034	28 9
1923 ..	107,389	40,064	147,453	189	70	5,424,016	28 9
1924 ..	113,054	42,617	155,671	195	73	6,523,881	33 9
1925 ..	117,516	44,840	162,356	198	75	6,992,905	33 8
1926 ..	126,918	48,803	175,721	210	80	8,252,387	38 7
1927 ..	133,234	52,399	185,633	215	85	9,144,569	38 6
1928 ..	139,367	55,517	194,884	221	88	9,790,346	38 5
1929 ..	145,393	59,148	204,541	227	93	10,124,239	38 5
1930 ..	155,196	63,904	218,500	240	98	10,791,325	38 5
1931 ..	172,177	68,343	240,520	264	104	11,710,953	38 4
1932 ..	183,317	72,292	255,609	279	110	11,125,956	33 3
1933 ..	176,425	72,742	249,167	266	110	10,771,061	31 10
1934 ..	187,453	73,212	260,665	281	109	10,963,090	33 8
1935 ..	197,126	76,852	273,978	293	114	11,762,030	33 7
1936 ..	206,748	80,487	287,235	305	119	12,797,726	34 8
1937 ..	215,690	83,396	299,086	316	122	13,998,793	36 8
1938 ..	224,154	86,096	310,250	325	125	15,798,687	38 6
1939 ..	232,836	88,812	321,648	335	128	15,991,782	38 5
1940(d) ..	272,896	58,696	331,592	388	84	16,459,245	38 6
1941 ..	276,760	58,921	335,681	390	83	17,366,365	(c) 41 5
1942 ..	275,456	60,597	336,053	386	85	19,257,025	(c) 48 4
1943 ..	267,239	58,081	325,320	371	81	22,292,835	(c) 51 1
1944 ..	257,186	57,942	315,128	352	79	21,699,100	(c) 51 11
1945 ..	252,634	58,281	310,915	342	79	21,701,127	51 5

(a) At 30th June. (b) Includes payments to Benevolent Asylums and Hospitals for maintenance of pensioners, and to pensioner inmates of these institutions, and from 1943-44 includes allowances to wives of invalid pensioners. (c) Increases, including retail price adjustment, since December, 1940, are as follows: 2s. December, 1940; 1s. April, 1941; 4s. December, 1941; 1s. April, 1942; 2s. July, 1942; 1s. October, 1942; 1s. January, 1943; 1s. April, 1943; 1s. August, 1943; 11s. July, 1945. Rate £3 5s. 0d. from 5th July, 1945. On 6th April, 1944, adjustments made on retail price index-numbers were abolished. (d) During 1939-40 all invalid pensions in force were specially reviewed and, at 30th June, 1940, all those pensioners who had become qualified for old-age pensions by age and residence were transferred to the old-age pensions list.

## CHILD ENDOWMENT AT 30th JUNE, 1945.

State.	Claims in Force.	Endowed Children. (a)	Number per 10,000 of population.		Amount paid during 1944-45.	
			Claims.	Endowed Children.	Amount.	Per head of Population. (b)
	No.	No.			£	s. d.
New South Wales (c) ..	205,472	365,436	705	1,253	4,699,888	32 5
Victoria ..	131,526	224,146	653	1,112	2,984,646	29 9
Queensland ..	81,047	152,257	751	1,411	1,983,075	37 0
South Australia (d) ..	42,381	71,918	667	1,134	934,578	29 8
Western Australia ..	38,643	68,316	786	1,390	905,508	37 1
Tasmania ..	19,224	38,354	776	1,547	528,554	42 11
Total 1944-45 ..	518,293	920,427	702	1,246	12,036,249	32 9
1943-44 ..	503,140	903,577	689	1,237	12,256,976	33 9

(a) Excludes endowed children in approved institutions—18,116 in 335 institutions at 30th June, 1945; 18,396 in 321 institutions at 30th June, 1944. (b) Based on mean population for the financial year. (c) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (d) Includes Northern Territory.



## WIDOWS' PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1945.(a)

State.	Pensions Current.(b)		Children for whom Pensions Payable.	Average Four-weekly rate of Pension.	Pensions paid during 1944-45.	
	Number.	Per 10,000 of Population.			Amount.	Per head of Population.(c)
			No.	£ s. d.	£	s. d.
New South Wales (d) ..	17,022	58	6,924	5 10 0	1,200,589	8 4
Victoria .. ..	12,614	63	3,575	5 2 7	799,652	8 0
Queensland .. ..	6,492	60	2,332	5 6 2	436,943	8 2
South Australia (e) ..	3,569	56	1,023	5 2 10	231,932	7 4
Western Australia ..	2,894	59	812	5 2 4	192,763	7 11
Tasmania .. ..	1,564	63	618	5 6 0	103,567	8 5
Total 1944-45 ..	44,155	60	15,284	5 6 1	2,965,446	8 1
1943-44 ..	42,212	58	16,107	5 6 8	2,800,702	7 8

- (a) The Commonwealth Government commenced to pay Widows' Pensions from 1st July, 1942.  
 (b) Excludes nine (1944-45) and eight (1943-44) pensions in respect of pensioners in Benevolent Asylums.  
 (c) Based on mean population for the financial year. (d) Includes Australian Capital Territory.  
 (e) Includes Northern Territory.

## COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

## Number and Amount of Claims Paid.

(The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912.)

Year ended 30th June—	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	Australia.	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£
1939 ..	30,860	20,819	12,880	7,162	5,213	3,940	42	80,916	436,614
1940 ..	29,700	19,660	12,290	7,009	4,774	3,883	36	77,352	416,964
1941 ..	28,540	19,150	12,481	6,831	4,775	3,877	38	75,692	407,533
1942 ..	24,481	16,120	12,113	5,724	4,320	3,620	13	66,391	358,538
1943 ..	19,182	11,874	9,651	4,197	4,025	3,018	9	51,956	281,052
1944 (b) ..	57,792	38,653	23,743	12,636	10,439	5,804	(c)	149,067	2,287,000
1945 ..	61,755	40,582	26,432	14,361	10,909	5,582	(c)	159,621	2,542,801
Total since 10.10.12	1,460,696	960,323	557,562	321,678	237,073	158,165	1,124	3,696,621	21,544,746

- (a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) From 1st July, 1943, the income limit was abolished. From 5th April, 1944, the allowances payable were as follows: (i) no other children under 16 years £5; (ii) one or two other children under 16 years £6; (iii) three or more other children under 16 years £7 10s. An allowance of £1 5s. per week payable for the four weeks immediately before and after birth of child was increased to £1 17s. 6d. per week when twins are born and to £2 10s. per week when triplets are born.  
 (c) Included with South Australia.

## WAR PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1945.

Place of Payment.	NUMBER OF WAR PENSIONERS.				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.		
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased Members of Forces.	Dependants of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensioners.
					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New South Wales(a)	40,381	13,174	51,465	105,020	1 16 5	1 12 0	1 9 8
Victoria ..	30,138	10,755	37,334	78,227	2 7 3	1 9 2	2 1 0
Queensland ..	12,270	3,917	15,388	31,575	1 18 5	0 16 10	1 10 11
South Australia (b)	7,624	3,363	9,829	20,816	2 8 0	2 2 6	2 1 1
Western Australia	10,197	3,577	13,912	27,686	1 15 0	1 13 1	1 9 3
Tasmania ..	4,365	1,292	6,424	12,081	2 18 0	1 1 1	2 4 10
United Kingdom ..	1,460	1,625	1,846	4,931	2 12 10	2 14 2	2 15 11
Elsewhere ..	311	122	310	743	1 16 0	1 10 10	1 13 2
Total 1944-45 ..	106,746	37,825	136,508	281,079	2 3 8	1 4 11	1 12 1
1943-44 ..	90,358	35,157	118,947	244,462	2 6 6	1 5 11	1 13 6

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

## SERVICE PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1945.

Particulars.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (b)	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Pensions Current—							
Old-age (Members of Forces) ..	1,687	1,170	704	355	427	84	4,437
Permanently Unemployable—							
Members of Forces	1,011	894	736	417	440	204	3,702
Dependants ..	1,046	1,036	644	438	417	226	3,807
Sufferers from Pulmonary Tuberculosis—							
Members of Forces	116	81	15	19	19	8	258
Dependants ..	159	112	20	26	30	15	362
Total 1944-45 ..	4,019	3,293	2,119	1,255	1,343	537	12,566
1943-44 ..	4,040	3,264	2,119	1,254	1,369	538	12,584
Average Fortnightly Pensions—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Members of Forces ..	2 5 5	2 5 1	2 6 11	2 6 7	2 1 8	2 5 5	2 5 4
Dependants ..	1 12 3	1 12 7	1 12 7	1 13 4	1 13 0	1 10 7	1 12 6
All Pensioners 1944-45 ..	2 1 6	2 0 8	2 2 5	2 1 8	1 18 9	1 18 9	2 1 1
1943-44 ..	2 0 6	2 0 3	2 1 3	2 0 3	1 18 7	1 16 10	2 0 2

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

## AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS EXPENDITURE.

## (i) War Pensions.

Place of Payment.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	2,618,564	2,560,477	2,576,241	2,897,870	3,661,182	4,068,399
Victoria ..	2,317,417	2,252,227	2,255,233	2,497,300	3,022,522	3,245,026
Queensland ..	873,635	853,757	846,584	943,691	1,177,089	1,291,869
South Australia ..	497,743	485,919	494,166	575,168	763,350	851,527
Western Australia ..	685,019	671,457	668,617	752,885	941,924	1,052,734
Tasmania ..	404,154	396,814	393,406	434,228	523,675	551,350
Elsewhere ..	285,714	267,880	267,664	265,854	258,867	336,480
Total ..	7,682,246	7,488,531	7,501,911	8,366,996	10,348,609	11,397,385
Includes (War) 1939-45 ..	..	18,772	207,324	659,384	1,730,471	2,763,796

## (ii) Service Pensions.

Place of Payment.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.	1944-45.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	148,599	162,935	185,315	218,173	216,001	199,535
Victoria ..	118,577	126,975	140,916	163,116	163,377	169,716
Queensland ..	80,364	88,088	106,120	119,032	113,143	113,847
South Australia ..	54,377	57,758	60,105	61,953	63,525	66,651
Western Australia ..	51,651	55,783	64,652	73,503	72,096	72,158
Tasmania ..	18,695	19,564	22,548	24,332	24,392	27,080
Total ..	472,263	511,103	579,656	660,109	652,534	648,996
Includes (War) 1939-45 ..	..	..	..	2,314	6,403	7,528

## COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX, 1943-44. (a)

Grade of Taxable Income.	Number of Taxpayers.	Tax Assessed.	Amount per Taxpayer.	Percentage on Total Tax Assessed.
Individuals—	No.	£	£ s. d.	%
Under £201 .. .. .	487,649	4,759,644	9 15 2	2.4
£201 to £500 .. .. .	1,204,315	54,205,459	45 0 2	26.8
£501 to £1,000 .. .. .	214,330	30,869,077	144 0 6	15.3
£1,001 and over .. .. .	59,973	57,230,074	954 5 3	28.3
Total individuals .. .. .	1,966,267	147,064,254	74 15 10	72.8
Companies .. .. .	15,697	(b) 54,831,401	3,493 2 3	27.2
GRAND TOTAL .. .. .	..	201,895,655	..	100.0

(a) Assessed on income for year 1942-43.

(b) Includes Super Tax, £3,304,961, War-time (Company) Tax, £3,154,536, and Undistributed Profits Taxes, £10,359,996.

## COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS.

Heading.	Assessment year—				
	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Resident Owners .. .. .	21,028	20,956	21,395	21,959	21,921
Absentee Owners .. .. .	2,584	2,559	2,365	2,562	2,450
TOTAL .. .. .	23,612	23,515	23,760	24,521	24,371
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—	£	£	£	£	£
Resident .. .. .	225,774,692	228,207,419	234,273,013	244,512,737	244,222,515
Absentee .. .. .	1,999,905	2,047,766	1,892,564	1,685,096	1,444,489
TOTAL .. .. .	227,774,597	230,255,185	236,165,577	246,197,833	245,667,004
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident .. .. .	257,346,942	257,277,026	272,109,061	277,242,136	275,288,688
Absentee .. .. .	2,167,995	2,196,814	2,080,107	1,991,916	1,580,307
TOTAL .. .. .	259,514,937	259,473,840	274,189,168	279,234,052	276,868,995
TAX ASSESSED ON—					
Urban Land—Resident Owners ..	924,749	1,045,591	1,195,246	2,453,928	2,897,198
Absentee Owners .. .. .	10,082	10,673	11,324	20,509	20,333
TOTAL .. .. .	934,831	1,056,264	1,206,570	2,474,437	2,917,531
Rural Land—Resident Owners ..	339,487	372,713	388,763	784,293	889,928
Absentee Owners .. .. .	3,267	3,342	4,248	6,113	5,204
TOTAL .. .. .	342,754	376,055	393,011	790,406	895,132
All Land—Resident Owners ..	1,264,236	1,418,304	1,584,009	3,238,221	3,787,126
Absentee Owners .. .. .	13,349	14,015	15,572	26,622	25,537
TOTAL .. .. .	1,277,585	1,432,319	1,599,581	3,264,843	3,812,663
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED ac.	557,636,000	556,695,994	556,131,125	563,556,163	562,701,713
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.	1.427d.	1.592d.	1.680d.	2.985d.	3.426d.

(a) Excludes Crown Leaseholds.

NOTE.—No figures have been compiled for later years.

## COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1944-45.

Grade of Dutiable Value.	Number of Estates. (a)	Gross Value as Assessed.	Dutiable Value.	Net Duty Payable.
£	No.	£	£	£
1-1,000 .. .. .	3,234	7,329,527	1,321,129	39,701
1,001-2,000 .. .. .	1,694	5,769,209	2,486,100	74,036
2,001-3,000 .. .. .	1,093	5,100,251	2,704,782	80,742
3,001-4,000 .. .. .	717	4,085,050	2,480,478	74,196
4,001-5,000 .. .. .	524	3,571,480	2,341,387	70,255
5,001-10,000 .. .. .	1,250	11,761,075	8,691,659	260,605
10,001-20,000 .. .. .	755	12,956,558	10,666,113	468,542
20,001-50,000 .. .. .	403	14,391,063	11,696,450	954,067
50,001 and over .. .. .	84	9,222,134	6,895,583	1,300,845
Total .. .. .	9,754	74,186,347	49,283,681	3,322,989

(a) Number of estates assessed during year 1944-45.

**COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.—Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods  
and Sales Tax payable—Australia.(a)**

Year 1942-43.

Quarter Ended.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(b)	Taxable Sales.(b)			Sales Tax Payable. (b)
		12½ per cent.(c)	25 per cent.(c)	Total.	
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
September .. .. .	151,614	45,619	8,513	54,132	7,825
December .. .. .	151,789	42,691	8,500	51,191	7,461
March .. .. .	145,363	40,461	6,816	47,277	6,758
June .. .. .	147,697	42,718	6,531	49,249	6,963
Total Year .. .. .	596,463	171,489	30,360	201,849	29,007

Year 1943-44.

Quarter Ended.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.(b)	Taxable Sales.(b)				Sales Tax Payable. (b)
		7½ per cent.(d)	12½ per cent.(c)	25 per cent.(c)	Total.	
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
September .. .. .	152,438	11,909	35,108	7,356	54,373	7,118
December .. .. .	156,573	14,079	32,064	8,587	54,730	7,210
March .. .. .	145,587	13,147	31,233	6,941	51,321	6,625
June .. .. .	151,072	14,326	32,543	6,919	53,788	6,871
Total Year .. .. .	605,670	53,461	130,948	29,803	214,212	27,824

Year 1944-45.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
July .. .. .	51,212	5,051	11,359	2,729	19,139	2,481
August .. .. .	56,640	6,167	12,255	2,935	21,357	2,726
September .. .. .	54,499	5,644	11,091	2,818	19,553	2,514
Total September Quarter ..	162,351	16,862	34,705	8,482	60,049	7,721
October .. .. .	54,955	5,445	10,773	3,066	19,284	2,521
November .. .. .	54,451	5,272	11,353	3,134	19,759	2,598
December .. .. .	51,469	5,042	10,224	3,064	18,330	2,422
Total December Quarter ..	160,875	15,759	32,350	9,264	57,373	7,541
January .. .. .	46,794	4,046	10,217	2,418	16,681	2,185
February .. .. .	49,074	5,529	10,544	2,806	18,879	2,434
March .. .. .	52,748	6,292	11,816	2,829	20,937	2,656
Total March Quarter ..	148,616	15,867	32,577	8,053	56,497	7,275
April .. .. .	47,909	5,464	10,321	2,570	18,355	2,343
May .. .. .	54,639	5,642	11,458	2,854	19,954	2,569
June(e) .. .. .	52,500	4,900	11,300	2,600	18,800	2,430
Total June Quarter(e) ..	155,048	16,006	33,079	8,024	57,109	7,342
Total Year(e) .. .. .	626,890	64,494	132,711	33,823	231,028	29,879

(a) From information obtained from returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade nor do they necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade.

(b) Includes Taxable Imports and Tax collected at Customs House.

(c) The rates 12½ per cent.

and 25 per cent. came into operation on 1st May, 1942.

(d) From 21st July, 1943, rationed clothing,

&c., was reduced from 12½ per cent. to 7½ per cent.

(e) Partly estimated—subject to revision.



## (B.) STATE FINANCE.

NOTE.—In respect of New South Wales the Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses, Sydney Harbour Trust Section of Maritime Services Board and Road Transport and Traffic Fund—included in the Annual Budget Papers are represented in the following tables. Adjustments have been made to the Budget figures, however, in order to obviate duplications within the combined accounts for 1943–44 and also when compared with those of earlier years. A deduction of £799,997 has thus been made from the Budget Revenue total of £73,270,524, and of £1,124,999 from the Expenditure total of £72,085,475, the surplus thus obtained being £1,510,051, instead of the Budget surplus of £1,185,049. Particulars for other States are restricted to the transactions of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and have not been adjusted.

## STATE REVENUES, 1943–44.

Sources of Revenue.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.(a)	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Taxation (b) ..	5,967	4,100	2,345	1,716	(c) 942	825	15,895
Railways ..	34,501	16,109	16,250	(d) 5,956	4,420	..	77,236
Tramways (e) ..	5,700	(f) 129	..	..	515	..	6,344
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	1,844	2,558	..	2,026	1,930	4	8,362
Land ..	1,691	972	1,606	266	350	86	4,971
Interest (n.e.i.) ..	404	1,528	961	1,013	518	473	4,897
Commonwealth Payments (g) ..	17,637	8,818	6,713	3,857	3,827	1,896	42,748
All other Sources ..	4,727	1,330	1,093	711	1,087	215	9,163
Total Revenue ..	72,471	35,544	28,968	15,545	13,589	3,499	169,616
Total Revenue per head (h) ..	£ s. d. 25 7 8	£ s. d. 17 17 5	£ s. d. 27 7 6	£ s. d. 25 2 7	£ s. d. 28 3 4	£ s. d. 14 6 9	£ s. d. 23 8 1

Year ended 30th June—

STATE REVENUES 1938–39 AND 1940–41 TO 1943–44.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1939 ..	51,710	26,985	19,330	12,304	10,950	3,615	124,894
1941 ..	59,895	29,183	21,540	12,925	11,432	(a) 2,921	137,896
1942 ..	65,866	33,112	23,663	15,002	11,940	(a) 3,359	152,942
1943 ..	71,534	36,490	29,284	15,192	13,152	(a) 3,290	168,942
1944 ..	72,471	35,544	28,968	15,545	13,589	(a) 3,499	169,616

## STATE EXPENDITURES, 1943–44.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.(a)	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	15,667	8,400	6,712	5,345	4,612	1,406	42,142
Railways ..	27,375	12,790	12,672	4,909	3,625	4	61,375
Tramways (e) ..	5,340	..	..	..	387	..	5,727
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	979	1,454	1	867	1,071	(i) 208	4,580
Education ..	6,383	3,654	1,896	1,215	979	529	14,656
Hospitals ..	2,893	1,676	865	644	431	212	6,721
Other Charities ..	1,633	908	718	182	221	106	3,768
All other Expenditure	10,691	6,042	(j) 5,990	2,367	2,225	1,004	28,319
Total Expenditure	70,961	34,924	28,854	15,529	13,551	3,469	167,288
Total Expenditure per head (h) ..	£ s. d. 24 17 1	£ s. d. 17 11 2	£ s. d. 27 5 5	£ s. d. 25 2 1	£ s. d. 28 1 9	£ s. d. 14 4 3	£ s. d. 23 1 8

Year ended 30th June—

STATE EXPENDITURES 1938–39 AND 1940–41 TO 1943–44.

	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1939 ..	54,163	27,773	19,316	12,701	11,170	3,641	128,764
1941 ..	60,319	29,040	21,511	13,008	11,421	(a) 3,103	138,402
1942 ..	64,824	32,320	23,599	13,712	11,939	(a) 3,357	149,751
1943 ..	69,989	35,736	29,182	14,960	13,127	(a) 3,400	166,394
1944 ..	70,961	34,924	28,854	15,529	13,551	(a) 3,469	167,288

(a) Excludes particulars of transport services, now under control of Transport Commission. Motor taxation collections are also now paid to the Commission's Fund. (b) For total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and State, 1943–44, see p. 45. Excludes Commonwealth reimbursements. (c) Gross collections. (d) Includes £120,000 of Commonwealth Grant taken direct to Railway Revenue. (e) Includes Omnibuses. (f) Contribution to Revenue by Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways. (g) Includes Commonwealth Income and Entertainments Tax reimbursements. (h) Based on mean population for the financial year. (i) Losses of Transport Commission. (j) Includes £1,420,000 transferred to Post-war Reconstruction and Development Fund. An additional £1,750,000 is included in Railway expenditure.

## STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1943-44.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Railways .. ..	1,510	470	409	370	15	261	3,035
Tramways (b) ..	Cr. 321	..	..	Cr. 50	9	..	Cr. 362
Roads and Bridges ..	Cr. 69	Cr. 30	164	Cr. 16	..	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	130	Cr. 6	198	9	Cr. 72	31	339
Water Supply and Sewerage .. ..	36	120	Cr. 865	804	16	..	111
Electricity Supply ..	23	..	..	131	16	319	358
Public Buildings ..	339	158	86	..	83	49	846
Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 147	Cr. 50	..	..	..	Cr. 11	Cr. 208
Other Public Works, &c. (c) ..	Cr. 14	Cr. 5	563	Cr. 264	Cr. 1	9	288
Primary Production—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Land Settlement (d) ..	Cr. 25	Cr. 656	Cr. 19	Cr. 308	Cr. 110	Cr. 154	Cr. 1,272
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	Cr. 60	..	Cr. 14	25	22	..	Cr. 27
Other .. ..	9	128	Cr. 77	Cr. 25	114	Cr. 5	144
Other purposes ..	..	Cr. 1	Cr. 100	Cr. 200	14	..	Cr. 287
Total Works, &c. ..	1,411	128	345	476	106	499	2,965
Per Head (e) ..	£ s. d. 0 9 11	£ s. d. 0 1 3	£ s. d. 0 6 6	£ s. d. 0 15 5	£ s. d. 0 4 5	£ s. d. 2 0 10	£ s. d. 0 8 2
Non-Works—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	Cr. 6,500	..	..	..	Cr. 38	109	Cr. 6,429
Other (f) .. ..	35	..	..	..	..	1,067	1,102
Grand Total ..	Cr. 5,054	128	345	476	68	1,675	Cr. 2,362

## TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1944.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)(g)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Railways, Tramways (b)	167,040	79,263	66,813	39,827	27,088	7,775	387,806
Roads and Bridges ..	20,857	12,646	5,460	3,842	3,183	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	22,364	1,408	3,504	8,547	7,514	7,297	96,622
Water Supply and Sewerage .. ..	40,985	32,016	942	22,733	14,905	..	111,581
Electricity Supply ..	2,568	17,839	..	..	1,925	7,830	30,162
Public Buildings ..	18,176	8,367	7,570	3,956	2,867	3,010	43,946
Unemployment Relief ..	17,010	13,143	..	..	(h)	333	30,486
Other Public Works, &c. (c) ..	11,567	3,668	26,622	7,725	3,072	3,738	56,392
Primary Production—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Land Settlement (d) ..	12,301	44,062	5,592	11,372	17,624	2,775	93,726
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	19,406	..	1,967	9,212	3,886	..	34,471
Other .. ..	7,827	5,680	8,046	2,166	14,307	26	38,052
Other purposes ..	89	212	224	4,043	3,612	..	8,180
Total Works ..	340,190	218,304	126,740	113,423	99,983	32,784	931,424
Non-Works—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	33,030	4,864	5,827	8,669	12,042	1,126	65,558
Other (f) .. ..	18,162	5,834	10,332	1,272	4,169	1,596	41,365
Grand Total ..	391,382	229,002	142,899	123,364	116,194	35,506	1,038,347

(a) Expenditure from Loan Fund and on account of Loans; includes expenditure from Loan Funds from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Includes Omnibuses. (c) Includes Loans to Local Bodies, Housing, &c. (d) Includes Advances to Settlers, and Soldier Land Settlement. (e) Based on mean population for the financial year. (f) Discount and flotation expenses, exchange on remittances, &c. (g) Aggregate Gross Loan Expenditure. (h) Not available separately—distributed over individual items.

## STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1945.

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.	In Aus- tralia.	In London.	In New York.	Total.
	£'000. Aust.	£'000. Stg.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (b)	£'000. Aust.	£'000. Stg.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (b)
New South Wales ..	197,568	145,921	11,562	355,051	6,148	5,561	558	12,267
Victoria .. ..	113,570	61,336	4,499	179,405	3,841	2,295	221	6,357
Queensland .. ..	67,343	58,819	5,271	131,433	2,270	2,375	279	4,924
South Australia ..	64,321	42,817	1,733	108,871	2,170	1,678	87	3,935
Western Australia ..	50,137	43,742	2,016	95,895	1,664	1,688	101	3,453
Tasmania .. ..	21,339	8,756	228	30,323	649	331	11	991
Total .. ..	514,278	361,391	25,309	900,978	16,742	13,928	1,257	31,927

(a) Payable in terms of dollars. For the purposes of this table dollars have been arbitrarily converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1 (Stg.). (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State Public Debt leaving out of account currency changes since the loans were floated. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable takes no account of exchange.

## (C.) COMMONWEALTH AND STATE FINANCE.

(TABLES ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

State, &c.	Three Months ended September—					
	1944-45.			1945-46.		
	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (-).	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Surplus (+) or Deficit (-).
	£'000	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales(a) ..	14,846	16,162	— 1,316	14,913	16,104	— 1,191
Victoria ..	6,249	8,068	— 1,819	6,241	8,180	— 1,889
Queensland ..	5,818	5,519	+ 299	5,282	5,854	— 572
South Australia ..	3,204	3,824	— 620	3,006	3,989	— 983
Western Australia ..	3,218	3,360	— 142	3,093	3,479	— 386
Tasmania ..	733	699	+ 34	785	711	+ 74
Total, Six States ..	34,068	37,632	— 3,564	33,320	38,267	— 4,947
Commonwealth ..	80,184	80,184	..	89,406	89,406	..
Grand Total(b) ..	107,694	111,258	— 3,564	115,432	120,379	— 4,947

(a) Excludes Main Roads Department and recoups of interest, &amp;c., from undertakings outside the Budget.

(b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals exclude payments by the Commonwealth to the States of compensation in respect of uniform taxation, interest on States' debts and special grants; also deductions have been made of pay-roll tax payments by State Governments to the Commonwealth Government.

## REVENUE FROM COMMONWEALTH PAYMENTS AND TAXATION AND EXPENDITURE ON ADMINISTRATION, ETC.

State, &c.	Revenue from Commonwealth Payments.(a)		Revenue from Taxation.(b)		Expenditure—			
					Administration, Works and Social Services.		Debt Services.	
	Three Months ended September—							
	1944-45.	1945-46.	1944-45.	1945-46.	1944-45.	1945-46.	1944-45.	1945-46.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	2,029	2,032	1,601	1,756	4,934	4,939	3,840	3,742
Victoria ..	1,343	1,357	980	903	2,859	2,932	2,112	2,172
Queensland ..	954	964	462	510	1,566	1,664	1,360	1,699
South Australia ..	578	656	394	373	942	1,066	1,426	1,493
Western Australia ..	823	842	234	215	937	987	1,202	1,208
Tasmania ..	351	359	194	225	380	416	269	273
Total, Six States ..	6,078	6,210	3,865	3,982	11,618	12,004	10,209	10,587
Commonwealth ..	..	..	70,681	80,219	c55,102	c62,041	12,222	14,011
Grand Total ..	6,078	6,210	74,546	84,201	66,720	74,045	22,431	24,598

(a) Includes amounts received in accordance with the Financial Agreement, 1927, with Special State Grants and with the Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursement Acts, 1942.

(b) Includes arrears of State income tax as State collections.

(c) Excludes Territories, payments to States under Financial Agreement and other Acts and assistance to Primary Producers. Includes Defence and War Services (excluding Interest, &amp;c., charges), 1944-45, £39,933,000; 1945-46, £45,363,000.

## BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS.(a)

State, &c.	Revenue.				Expenditure.			
	Three Months ended September—							
	1944-45.		1945-46.		1944-45.		1945-46.	
	Rail-way.	Other.	Rail-way.	Other.	Rail-way.	Other.	Rail-way.	Other.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales .. ..	7,881	1,894	7,660	2,006	5,915	1,473	5,869	1,554
Victoria(b) .. ..	3,146	73	3,354	43	3,019	78	2,962	64
Queensland(c) .. ..	3,659		3,030		2,593		2,491	
South Australia .. ..	1,433	364	1,252	319	1,253	203	1,190	240
Western Australia .. ..	1,105	650	990	630	882	339	920	364
Tasmania .. ..					(d) 50		(d) 22	
Total, Six States .. ..	17,224	2,981	16,286	2,998	13,712	2,093	13,454	2,222
Commonwealth .. ..	802	(e) 6,877	416	(e) 6,994	545	(e) 4,732	427	(e) 4,402
Grand Total .. ..	18,026	9,858	16,702	9,992	14,257	6,825	13,881	6,624

(a) Excludes Interest, &amp;c., charges.

(b) Railways and State Coal-mine only.

(c) Railways only.

(d) Expenditure on account of losses by Transport Commission.

(e) Postmaster-General's Department.



**TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1944-45.(a) (d)**

State, &c.	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes. (b)	Land Tax.	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties (n.e.l.).	Motor Taxes.	Entertainments (including Racing). (b)	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
New South Wales ..	..	526	2	2,780	1,337	2,374	687	750	8,456
Victoria ..	..	94	358	1,854	1,073	1,655	(e)	970	6,004
Queensland ..	..	87	383	701	584	805	162	443	3,165
South Australia ..	..	49	290	521	236	602	254	69	2,021
Western Australia ..	..	58	118	275	229	359	145	129	1,313
Tasmania ..	..	8	91	136	73	226	60	554	1,148
Total States ..	..	822	1,242	6,267	3,532	6,021	1,308	2,915	22,107
Commonwealth ..	67,177	215,534	3,664	3,090	..	..	5,027	43,428	337,920
Grand Total ..	67,177	216,356	4,906	9,357	3,532	6,021	6,335	46,343	360,027

**PER HEAD OF POPULATION.(c)**

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
New South Wales ..	..	0 3 8	..	0 19 3	0 9 3	0 16 6	0 4 9	0 5 3	2 18 8
Victoria ..	..	0 3 8	0 3 7	0 18 6	0 10 8	0 16 6	(e)	0 9 8	2 19 10
Queensland ..	..	0 1 8	0 7 2	0 13 1	0 10 11	0 15 0	0 3 0	0 8 3	2 19 1
South Australia ..	..	0 1 7	0 9 3	0 16 8	0 7 8	0 19 3	0 8 1	0 2 2	3 4 8
Western Australia ..	..	0 2 5	0 4 10	0 11 3	0 9 5	0 14 8	0 5 11	0 5 3	2 13 9
Tasmania ..	..	0 0 7	0 7 5	0 11 1	0 5 11	0 18 4	0 4 10	2 4 11	4 13 1
Total States ..	..	0 2 3	0 3 5	0 17 1	0 9 8	0 16 5	0 3 7	0 8 0	3 0 5
Commonwealth ..	9 3 0	29 7 2	0 10 0	0 8 5	..	..	0 13 8	5 18 4	46 0 7
Grand Total ..	9 3 0	29 9 5	0 13 4	1 5 6	0 9 7	0 16 5	0 17 3	6 6 3	49 0 9

(a) The foregoing particulars include those amounts collected by State Governments and paid into Special Funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. See page 32 for details of Commonwealth Taxation. (b) Excludes payments by Commonwealth to States under Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursement Acts, 1942. (c) Based on mean population for the financial year. (d) Subject to revision. (e) Included with other.

**TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.**

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.					Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise.	Income Tax.	Sales Tax.	Other.	Total.		
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1940-41 ..	53,780	43,305	19,793	8,506	125,384	56,304	181,688
1941-42 ..	56,781	77,564	26,830	18,260	179,435	57,260	236,695
1942-43 ..	64,878	141,027	28,846	22,393	257,144	(a) 26,329	283,473
1943-44 ..	67,292	183,799	27,909	24,667	303,667	(a) 21,314	324,981
1944-45 ..	67,177	215,534	29,672	25,537	337,920	(a)(c)22,107	360,027

**PER HEAD OF POPULATION.(b)**

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1940-41 ..	7 12 2	6 2 6	2 16 0	1 4 1	17 14 9	7 19 9	25 14 1
1941-42 ..	7 19 1	10 17 4	3 15 2	2 11 3	25 2 10	8 0 11	33 3 3
1942-43 ..	9 0 3	19 11 10	4 0 2	3 2 2	35 14 5	(a) 3 13 4	39 7 6
1943-44 ..	9 5 3	25 5 11	3 16 10	3 7 10	41 15 10	(a) 2 18 10	44 14 6
1944-45 ..	9 3 0	29 7 2	4 0 10	3 9 7	46 0 7	(a) 3 0 5	49 0 9

(a) Excludes payments by Commonwealth to States under Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursement Acts 1942. (b) Based on mean population of the Commonwealth and of the six States for each financial year. (c) Subject to revision.

**TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATES AND STATE COLLECTIONS, 1944-45.**

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Commonwealth Reimbursements—							
Income Tax ..	14,830	6,423	5,734	2,312	2,488	879	32,666
Entertainments Tax ..	161	374	..	97	98	36	766
Total ..	14,991	6,797	5,734	2,409	2,586	915	33,432
State Collections(a) ..	8,456	6,004	3,165	2,021	1,313	1,148	22,107
Grand Total ..	23,447	12,801	8,899	4,430	3,899	2,063	55,539
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Per head of population	8 2 7	6 7 8	8 6 1	7 1 8	7 19 9	8 7 5	7 11 8

(a) Subject to revision.



## NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS.

(PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

Three Months ended September—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total, Six States.	Commonwealth.(a)	Grand Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1944 .. ..	492	Cr. 158	218	Cr. 162	48	57	495	63,384	63,879
1945 .. ..	612	124	147	(b) 1,297	203	40	2,423	53,035	55,458

(a) Gross Expenditure, Defence and War Services.  
tion to Australia.

(b) Includes £1,265,000 Exchange on Debt repatria-

## COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—				
		1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
TOTAL DEBT.						
Commonwealth—		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
War (1914-19)	Australia £A	171,240	167,220	166,531	164,628	159,317
	London £Stg.	90,744	90,745	90,745	90,745	90,745
War (1939-45)	Australia £A.	109,649	321,345	712,579	1,098,261	1,357,272
	London £Stg.	17,875	17,875	18,129	6,122	6,122
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	39,459	39,956	38,241	36,190	35,607
	London £Stg.	65,384	65,134	64,884	64,362	64,112
	New York £Stg.	15,877	15,876	15,790	15,790	15,790
Total ..	Australia £A.	320,348	528,521	917,351	1,299,079	1,552,196
	London £Stg.	174,003	173,754	173,758	161,229	160,979
	New York £Stg.	15,877	15,876	15,790	15,790	15,790
Total ..	..	510,228	718,151	1,106,899	1,476,098	1,728,965
State ..	Australia £A.	504,494	504,439	494,115	491,840	514,278
	London £Stg.	384,042	380,422	379,113	373,505	361,391
	New York £Stg.	27,486	25,817	25,610	25,415	25,309
Total ..	..	916,022	910,678	898,838	890,760	900,978
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	824,842	1,032,960	1,411,466	1,790,919	2,066,474
	London £Stg.	558,045	554,176	552,871	534,734	522,370
	New York £Stg.	43,363	41,693	41,400	41,205	41,099
Total ..	..	1,426,250	1,628,829	2,005,737	2,366,858	2,629,943

## DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

Commonwealth—		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
War (1914-19)	Australia £A.	24 2 3	23 6 2	23 0 8	22 10 8	21 11 6
	London £Stg.	12 15 6	12 13 0	12 11 0	12 8 5	12 5 9
War (1939-45)	Australia £A.	15 8 9	44 15 10	98 11 2	150 6 2	183 15 10
	London £Stg.	2 10 5	2 9 10	2 10 2	0 16 9	0 16 7
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	5 11 1	5 11 5	5 5 10	4 19 1	4 16 5
	London £Stg.	9 4 1	9 1 7	8 19 6	8 16 2	8 13 8
	New York £Stg.	2 4 9	2 4 3	2 3 8	2 3 3	2 2 9
Total ..	Australia £A.	45 2 1	73 13 5	126 17 8	177 15 11	210 3 9
	London £Stg.	24 10 0	24 4 5	24 0 8	22 1 4	21 16 0
	New York £Stg.	2 4 9	2 4 3	2 3 8	2 3 3	2 2 9
Total ..	..	71 16 10	100 2 1	153 2 0	202 0 6	234 2 6
State ..	Australia £A.	71 5 4	70 10 5	68 10 10	67 9 11	69 16 7
	London £Stg.	54 5 0	53 3 8	52 11 10	51 5 2	49 1 5
	New York £Stg.	3 17 8	3 12 2	3 11 1	3 9 9	3 8 9
Total ..	..	129 8 0	127 6 3	124 13 9	122 4 10	122 6 9
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	116 2 9	143 19 8	195 4 7	245 2 2	279 16 7
	London £Stg.	78 11 5	77 4 11	76 9 5	73 3 8	70 14 8
	New York £Stg.	6 2 1	5 16 3	5 14 6	5 12 10	5 11 4
Total ..	..	200 16 3	227 0 10	277 8 6	323 18 8	356 2 7

## COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT—continued.

Particulars.	Where Payable.	At 30th June—				
		1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
INTEREST PAYABLE.						
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A.	£'000. 11,249	£'000. 16,135	£'000. 25,145	£'000. 33,945	£'000. 40,047
	London £Stg.(a)	3,736	3,656	3,290	3,277	3,272
	New York £Stg.	776	776	772	771	771
	Total(b) ..	..	15,761	20,567	29,207	37,993
State ..	Australia £A.	17,866	17,284	16,863	16,623	16,742
	London £Stg.	14,955	14,500	14,501	14,311	13,927
	New York £Stg.	1,395	1,283	1,272	1,263	1,258
	Total(b) ..	..	34,216	33,067	32,636	32,197
Grand Total, Commonwealth and State ..	Australia £A.	29,115	33,419	42,008	50,568	56,789
	London £Stg.(a)	18,691	18,156	17,791	17,588	17,190
	New York £Stg.	2,171	2,059	2,044	2,034	2,029
	Total(b) ..	..	49,977	53,634	61,843	70,190

(a) Excludes suspended interest (£3,919,774) on War Debt to British Government (£79,724,221). (b) The totals shown represent the nominal amount of interest, taking no account of exchange.

## AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST.

Commonwealth and State	Australia London(a) New York	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
		3 11 1	3 5 1	2 19 9	2 16 8	2 15 2
Total(b) ..	..	3 18 2	3 16 7	3 17 3	3 17 4	3 17 9
	..	5 0 2	4 18 9	4 18 9	4 18 9	4 18 9
Total(b) ..		3 14 6	3 9 6	3 4 10	3 1 7	2 19 9

(a) See note (a) above. (b) Based on the nominal amount of interest payable taking no account of exchange.

## SHORT-TERM DEBT.(a)

Debt.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—								30th Sept., 1945.
		1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A.	£'000. 5,495	£'000. 4,220	£'000. 3,970	£'000. 1,750	£'000. 80,481	£'000. 259,250	£'000. 343,280	£'000. 343,280	£'000. 363,280
	London £Stg.	5,495	4,220	3,970	3,720	3,470	3,220	2,970	2,720	2,720
State ..	Australia £A.	46,598	50,228	45,463	45,423	45,083	39,200	33,075	330	..
	London £Stg.	23,155	23,155	23,155	23,155	24,879	23,730	22,868	22,868	22,868
Total ..	Australia £A.	46,598	50,228	45,463	47,173	125,564	298,450	376,355	343,610	363,280
	London £Stg.	28,650	27,375	27,125	26,875	28,349	26,950	25,838	25,588	25,588

(a) Excludes Overdrafts and Internal Treasury Bills.

## (D.) BANKING.

## ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS. (Includes Commonwealth Bank.)

Average for Quarters ended—	Deposits.			Advances. (c)	Government and Municipal Securities (including Treasury Bills).	Percentage Non-interest-bearing to Total Deposits (d)	Percentage Advances To Total Deposits (d)
	Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest. (a)	Total. (b)				
June, 1941 ..	£'000. 189,643	£'000. 268,408	£'000. 458,051	£'000. 330,535	£'000. 142,928	% 41.3	% 68.9
" 1942 ..	227,076	255,646	482,722	323,850	198,429	47.0	64.0
" 1943 ..	314,609	301,820	616,429	291,680	352,250	50.9	45.1
" 1944 ..	385,681	308,812	694,493	270,864	399,090	55.6	37.2
Sept., 1944 ..	384,740	328,850	713,590	267,064	396,685	53.8	35.7
Dec., 1944 ..	399,264	324,108	723,372	253,361	410,149	55.1	33.3
Mar., 1945 ..	424,096	340,223	764,319	246,676	450,670	55.4	30.7
June, 1945 ..	431,868	330,573	762,441	251,705	443,490	56.6	31.4

(a) Includes Inscribed Deposit Stock of E.S. and A. and Queensland National Banks. (b) Customers' Deposits; excludes amounts deposited by trading banks with Commonwealth Bank. (c) Includes Short-term Loans, other than Treasury Bills, of the Commonwealth Bank. (d) In computing the ratios the figures relating to the Rural Bank of New South Wales have been excluded.

## NINE AUSTRALIAN TRADING BANKS.

(EXCLUDES COMMONWEALTH BANK.)

## AVERAGE LIABILITIES IN AUSTRALIA.

Quarter ended—	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities. (a).
				Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.	
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June, 1941..	167	3,580	932	157,746	207,342	365,088	372,381
„ 1942..	167	3,912	1,061	193,619	192,883	386,502	394,252
„ 1943..	167	4,452	955	258,441	196,925	455,366	463,534
„ 1944..	167	4,767	1,026	319,928	218,341	538,269	546,573
Dec., 1944..	167	4,956	1,131	335,511	223,309	558,820	566,843
Mar., 1945..	167	4,657	1,073	361,465	226,908	588,373	596,004
June, 1945..	166	5,097	1,083	364,288	224,938	589,226	597,290
Sept., 1945	166	5,010	1,010	351,321	224,127	575,448	583,332

(a) Includes inscribed deposit stock of the Queensland National and E.S. and A. Banks.

## AVERAGE ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA.

Quarter ended—	Coin and Bullion.	Australian Notes and Cash with Commonwealth Bank.	Government and Municipal Securities. (a)	Special Account with Commonwealth Bank.	Land and House Property.	Balances due from other Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Discounts, Overdrafts and all other assets.	Total Assets.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June, 1941..	2,139	34,225	102,354	..	10,297	2,737	2,537	283,054	437,343
„ 1942..	1,533	37,049	95,837	36,797	9,996	3,246	3,551	269,944	457,953
„ 1943..	1,819	30,573	133,785	100,401	9,881	2,855	3,928	244,776	528,018
„ 1944..	1,968	36,499	148,713	178,600	9,761	3,587	4,200	224,858	608,186
Dec., 1944..	2,055	36,784	168,087	190,768	9,776	3,538	4,639	211,804	627,451
Mar., 1945..	2,080	38,773	181,879	218,746	9,764	3,148	4,142	200,161	658,693
June, 1945..	2,043	33,776	164,070	239,618	9,762	3,240	4,519	205,758	662,786
Sept., 1945..	2,145	34,091	159,664	226,369	9,740	3,486	4,512	211,061	651,068

(a) Includes Treasury Bills.

## COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Average for Quarters ended—	General Banking Department.							Note Issue and General Banking Depart- ment.	Notes held outside Common- wealth Bank. (d)	
	Business within Australia.									
	Deposits.			Balances Due to other Banks.	Special Account of Trading Banks.	Advances, &c., and Short- term Loans. (a)	Govern- ment and Municipal Securities. (b)			Sterling Reserve and Short Call Money in London. (c)
	Not Bearing Interest. (a)	Bearing Interest.	Total.							
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	
June, 1941..	28,699	55,150	83,849	29,078	..	24,626	37,976	74,201	63,724	
„ 1942..	29,815	57,132	86,947	33,076	37,286	32,129	100,057	58,590	94,917	
„ 1943..	50,953	98,684	149,637	25,885	100,844	27,026	213,961	80,913	133,350	
„ 1944..	60,618	82,460	143,078	32,864	179,454	27,800	243,432	143,998	181,109	
Sept., 1944..	64,361	101,202	165,563	31,614	183,832	32,111	238,774	172,271	191,661	
Dec., 1944..	56,629	94,309	150,938	33,231	191,928	23,787	234,258	177,029	195,095	
Mar., 1945..	55,156	106,800	161,956	35,245	220,087	28,851	260,760	185,123	190,456	
June, 1945..	59,956	99,294	159,250	30,527	241,193	27,818	271,417	185,025	182,658	

(a) Government "Set-off" accounts, Interstate deducted. (b) Includes Treasury Bills. (c) Note to be taken as a measure of Net London Funds. (d) Notes held by Other Banks and by Public. See page 36 for details of Note Issue.

## SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS.(a)

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June—									
1941 ..	87,750	85,689	29,089	27,510	12,521	8,941	357	374	252,231
1942 ..	94,538	94,226	31,214	30,616	13,821	9,472	(b)	388	274,275
1943 ..	122,406	121,249	45,197	38,563	18,884	11,174	(b)	522	357,995
1944 ..	162,867	153,887	65,479	48,592	25,791	14,213	(b)	701	471,530
1945 ..	198,203	182,149	80,094	56,995	31,763	16,914	(b)	846	566,964
1944—									
July ..	166,751	156,884	66,806	49,616	26,376	14,499	(b)	712	481,644
Aug. ..	170,104	160,321	68,128	50,530	26,987	14,878	(b)	718	491,666
Sept. ..	173,037	162,563	69,601	51,313	27,675	15,106	(b)	726	500,021
1945—									
July ..	200,932	184,612	81,153	57,643	32,191	17,193	(b)	869	574,593
Aug. ..	204,794	188,034	82,047	58,580	32,749	17,617	(b)	883	584,704
Sept. ..	207,520	190,937	83,175	59,269	33,307	17,871	(b)	891	592,970

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

(b) Deposits transferred to South Australia.

NOTE.—In addition to the savings shown above a net amount (i.e., total less re-purchases), of £53,622,000 was subscribed for War Savings Certificates between March, 1940, and September, 1945.

## COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK—DEPOSITS.

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
June—									
1941 ..	87,750	13,942	29,089	3,509	12,521	2,423	357	374	149,965
1942 ..	94,538	16,010	31,214	4,684	13,821	2,705	(a)	388	164,260
1943 ..	122,406	23,731	45,197	6,311	18,884	3,542	(a)	522	220,593
1944 ..	162,867	31,205	65,479	8,474	25,791	4,814	(a)	701	299,331
1945 ..	198,203	38,933	80,094	10,506	31,763	6,006	(a)	846	366,351
1944—									
July ..	166,751	32,007	66,806	8,762	26,376	4,935	(a)	712	306,349
Aug. ..	170,104	33,220	68,128	9,026	26,987	5,056	(a)	718	313,239
Sept. ..	173,037	33,718	69,601	9,217	27,675	5,158	(a)	726	319,132
1945—									
July ..	200,932	39,649	81,153	10,657	32,191	6,137	(a)	869	371,588
Aug. ..	204,794	40,714	82,047	10,987	32,749	6,267	(a)	883	378,441
Sept. ..	207,520	41,862	83,175	11,140	33,307	6,396	(a)	891	384,291

(a) Deposits transferred to South Australia.

## BANK CLEARING HOUSES.—AVERAGE WEEKLY VALUE OF BILLS, CHEQUES, ETC., CLEARED.

Weekly Average.	Sydney.		Melbourne.		Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.
	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bill transactions.(a)	Total Clearings.	Clearings less Treasury Bill transactions.(a)				
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Year 1941 ..	26,978	21,841	21,621	21,010	4,676	3,753	2,234	699
„ 1942 ..	29,157	23,933	24,555	24,228	5,284	4,226	2,398	774
„ 1943 ..	32,351	27,649	27,109	27,061	6,424	4,760	2,638	879
„ 1944 ..	32,942	28,746	27,757	27,730	7,074	5,101	2,774	1,000
1945—								
26th June to 30th July ..	32,806	32,806	29,523	29,502	7,865	5,094	2,961	1,264
31st July to 27th Aug. ..	26,361	26,361	26,791	26,765	7,051	4,600	2,667	1,004
28th Aug. to 24th Sept. ..	29,991	29,991	28,375	28,349	7,439	5,162	2,865	1,110

(a) Average weekly clearings excluding transactions connected with the issue and redemption of Treasury Bills. These abnormal transactions have been in operation in Victoria since October, 1929, and in New South Wales since October, 1930.



## Section V.—Railways, Aircraft, Motor Vehicles and Wireless.

## A.—Railways.

## RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC.

NOTE.—The mileage of private lines is shown in brackets and refers to lines available for general traffic only.

Government.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.	Miles.
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,141 (69)	6,127 (69)	6,127 (69)	6,127 (69)	6,128 (66)
Victoria ..	4,759 (25)	4,759 (25)	4,766 (25)	4,758 (25)	4,748 (13)
Queensland ..	6,567 (183)	6,567 (183)	6,567 (183)	6,567 (183)	6,566 (182)
South Australia ..	2,557 (51)	2,557 (51)	2,557 (51)	2,547 (51)	2,547 (51)
Western Australia ..	4,381 (277)	4,381 (277)	4,381 (277)	4,381 (277)	4,381 (277)
Tasmania ..	645 (116)	642 (116)	642 (116)	642 (116)	642 (116)
Total ..	27,251 (721)	27,234 (721)	27,241 (721)	27,223 (721)	27,213 (705)

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

## CAPITAL COST OF CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT.(a)

Government.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
	£	£	£	£	£
Commonwealth ..	17,191,356	17,332,574	17,433,858	17,700,704	17,823,993
New South Wales ..	149,203,908	149,575,526	150,661,127	151,849,840	152,144,668
Victoria ..	52,037,722	52,229,383	52,718,195	52,637,204	52,746,555
Queensland ..	38,891,138	39,299,815	39,349,083	39,479,733	39,907,071
South Australia ..	30,109,220	30,399,735	30,801,278	31,290,224	30,673,614
Western Australia ..	26,187,632	26,309,388	26,393,048	26,362,545	26,530,724
Tasmania ..	2,155,261	2,248,034	2,348,784	2,497,290	2,765,041
Total(b) ..	318,223,209	319,841,427	322,152,345	324,264,512	325,038,638

## AVERAGE MILES WORKED.

Government.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,118	6,127	6,127	6,127	6,128
Victoria ..	4,759	4,759	4,746	4,758	4,748
Queensland ..	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,567	6,566
South Australia ..	2,557	2,557	2,557	2,549	2,547
Western Australia ..	4,380	4,381	4,381	4,381	4,381
Tasmania ..	644	642	642	642	642
Total ..	27,226	27,234	27,221	27,225	27,213

## TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN(c)—'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth ..	958	1,234	2,322	3,473	3,453
New South Wales ..	29,471	32,285	d 36,368	e 39,000	e 37,100
Victoria ..	17,008	17,767	18,249	18,437	16,413
Queensland ..	14,190	14,603	16,396	d 19,851	d 19,794
South Australia ..	5,928	5,892	6,599	6,792	6,777
Western Australia ..	6,134	6,144	6,355	6,340	6,044
Tasmania ..	2,064	2,167	2,176	2,217	2,185
Total ..	75,753	80,092	88,465	96,110	91,766

## GROSS REVENUE—£'000 OMITTED.

Commonwealth ..	622	971	2,195	3,746	3,459
New South Wales ..	20,755	24,016	28,487	34,872	35,301
Victoria ..	9,861	11,239	14,520	17,030	15,882
Queensland ..	8,090	8,415	11,654	18,027	16,430
South Australia ..	3,168	3,512	4,944	5,811	5,979
Western Australia ..	3,556	3,572	3,996	4,417	4,387
Tasmania ..	526	600	686	843	871
Total ..	46,588	52,325	66,482	84,746	82,309

(a) Capital has been reduced during past years by approximately £61,500,000 (Victoria, £25,700,000; Queensland, £28,000,000; South Australia, £3,100,000; Tasmania, £4,700,000). (b) Includes £2,446,972 Commonwealth proportion of Grafton-South Brisbane Line capital not included with States. (c) Excludes "Assistant" and "Light" mileages. (d) Partly estimated. (e) Estimated.

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.

Government.	1939-40.	1940-41.	1941-42.	1942-43.	1943-44.
WORKING EXPENSES—£'000 OMITTED.					
Commonwealth .. ..	842	903	1,506	2,171	2,521
New South Wales .. ..	14,647	17,162	21,713	27,343	27,535
Victoria .. ..	8,058	8,959	11,600	14,040	13,214
Queensland .. ..	6,368	6,708	8,488	11,400	13,163
South Australia .. ..	2,937	3,062	3,856	4,661	5,213
Western Australia .. ..	2,828	2,758	3,026	3,447	3,796
Tasmania .. ..	688	757	854	965	1,136
Total .. ..	36,368	40,309	51,043	64,027	66,578
NET EARNINGS—£'000 OMITTED.					
Commonwealth .. ..	-220	68	689	1,575	938
New South Wales .. ..	6,108	6,854	6,774	7,529	7,766
Victoria .. ..	1,803	2,280	2,920	2,990	2,668
Queensland .. ..	1,722	1,707	3,166	6,627	3,267
South Australia .. ..	231	450	1,088	1,150	766
Western Australia .. ..	728	814	970	970	591
Tasmania .. ..	-152	-157	-168	-122	-265
Total .. ..	10,220	12,016	15,439	20,719	15,731
PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.(a)					
Commonwealth .. ..	-1.28	0.39	3.95	8.90	5.27
New South Wales .. ..	4.09	4.58	4.50	4.95	5.10
Victoria .. ..	3.47	4.37	5.54	5.68	5.06
Queensland .. ..	4.43	4.34	8.05	16.78	8.19
South Australia .. ..	0.77	1.48	3.53	3.67	2.50
Western Australia .. ..	2.78	3.09	3.68	3.68	2.23
Tasmania .. ..	-7.02	-6.99	-7.16	-4.88	-9.60
Total (b) .. ..	3.21	3.76	4.79	6.39	4.84

Minus sign (-) denotes loss.

(a) See note (a) on previous page. On the basis of the original capital the adjusted percentages for 1943-44 are as follows:—Victoria, 3.40; Queensland, 4.81; South Australia, 2.27; Tasmania, -3.55; Total, 5.37. (b) Includes Commonwealth proportion capital Grafton-South Brisbane Line (see note (b) on previous page).

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.  
PARTICULARS FOR YEAR 1943-44.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open .. ..	2,201	6,128	4,758	6,497	2,547	4,381	642	27,154
aRevenue—								
cCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	941	12,866	7,174	4,861	1,671	1,426	310	29,249
cGoods, including live stock and minerals £	2,434	18,408	7,485	10,842	3,720	2,789	516	46,194
cMiscellaneous £	84	(d) 4,027	1,222	728	587	172	46	6,866
cTotal Revenue £	3,459	c35,301	15,881	16,431	5,978	4,387	872	82,309
cExpenditure £	2,521	27,535	13,214	13,163	5,213	3,796	(f) 1,136	66,578
cTrain-miles run ..	3,453	37,100	16,413	19,794	6,777	6,044	(g) 2,185	91,766
Earnings per train-mile	20s. 0d.	19s. 0d.	19s. 4d.	16s. 7d.	17s. 7d.	14s. 6d.	8s. 0d.	17s. 11d.
Expenditure per train-mile	14s. 7d.	14s. 10d.	16s. 1d.	13s. 4d.	15s. 5d.	12s. 7d.	10s. 5d.	14s. 6d.
Earnings .. .. %	72.87	78.00	83.20	80.12	87.18	86.54	130.46	80.89
cPassenger-journeys, No.	522	250,566	194,138	38,154	27,356	18,773	3,131	532,640
cCoal and Coke carried, tons .. ..	6	(h)	(h)	1,000	193	257	280	(j)
cOther Minerals carried, tons .. ..	14	(h)	(h)	334	455	145	(i)	(j)
cLive Stock carried, tons	45	(k) 800	(k) 580	577	256	150	32	2,440
cOther Goods carried ..	451	18,603	7,714	4,656	2,744	2,008	666	36,842
cTotal Freight carried ..	516	19,403	8,294	6,567	3,648	2,560	978	41,966

(a) Excludes Grafton-South Brisbane Line. (b) Includes Road Motors. (c) '000 omitted.  
(d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.  
(e) Excludes Governmental contributions towards losses on non-paying developmental lines.  
(f) Excludes depreciation. (g) Includes Rail-motor miles. (h) Included with Other Goods.  
(i) Included with Coal and Coke. (j) Not available. (k) Estimated.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—continued.  
PARTICULARS FOR YEAR 1944-45.

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open .. ..	2,201	6,128	4,748	6,497	2,547	4,381	642	27,144
cRevenue—								
cCoaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	798	13,819	7,197	4,756	1,654	1,374	320	29,918
cGoods, including live stock and minerals £	1,046	16,138	6,862	8,469	3,399	2,759	528	39,201
cMiscellaneous £	580	(d)1,620	1,199	(e)	431	141	52	4,023
cTotal Revenue £	2,424	f31,577	15,258	13,225	5,484	4,274	900	73,142
cExpenditure £	2,191	24,673	12,497	11,295	5,167	3,764	(g)1,006	60,593
cTrain-miles run ..	2,426	38,894	16,337	17,373	6,618	(h)6,262	(i)2,201	90,111
Earnings per train-mile	20s. 0d.	16s. 3d.	18s. 8d.	15s. 3d.	16s. 7d.	13s. 8d.	8s. 2d.	16s. 3d.
Expenditure per train-mile	18s. 1d.	12s. 8d.	15s. 4d.	13s. 0d.	15s. 7d.	12s. 0d.	9s. 2d.	13s. 5d.
Expenditure per cent. on Earnings .. %	90.39	78.14	81.90	85.40	94.21	88.07	111.82	82.84
cPassenger-journeys, No.	472	254,098	195,697	38,534	24,820	18,099	3,261	534,981
cCoal and Coke carried, tons .. ..	37	(j)	(j)	1,000	238	91	235	(l)
cOther Minerals carried, tons .. ..	13	(j)	(j)	313	409	86	(k)	(l)
cLive Stock carries, tons	35	(m) 997	(m) 506	633	243	41	32	2,487
cOther Goods carried ..	296	17,394	7,145	3,852	2,612	770	657	32,726
cTotal Freight carried ..	381	18,391	7,651	5,798	3,502	988	924	37,635

(a) Excludes Grafton-South Brisbane Line. (b) Includes Road Motors. (c) '000 omitted.  
(d) From sale of electrical energy only; other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods.  
(e) Included with Coaching. (f) Excludes Governmental contributions towards losses on non-paying  
developmental lines. (g) Excludes depreciation. (h) Included Assistant and Light Miles.  
(i) Includes Assistant, Light and Rail-Motor Miles. (j) Included with Other Goods. (k) Included  
with Coal and Coke. (l) Not available. (m) Estimated.

**B.—Civil Aviation.(a)**

Particulars.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.
Registered Aircraft owners					
(b) .. .. No.	120	119	(d) 128	116	132
Registered Aircraft(b) ..	202	192	(d) 184	185	205
Licensed Pilots—(b) ..					
Private .. ..	502	239	171	159	216
Commercial .. ..	187	181	233	305	429
Licensed Ground Engi- neers(b) .. ..	617	717	924	1,039	1,122
Aerodromes—(b) ..					
Government .. ..	79	72	69	69	72
Public .. ..	212	207	207	206	235
Government Emer- gency Grounds .. ..	116	116	96	78	83
Hours flown .. ..	79,164	69,302	58,185	84,274	111,122
Approximate mileage Miles '000	9,700	8,925	7,517	10,082	14,992
Passengers carried .. No.	154,259	155,213	133,525	235,775	342,070
Goods, weight carried lb. '000	2,115	2,588	2,066	3,132	4,756
Mails, weight carried—					
Internal .. .. lb. '000	234	448	1,469	2,438	2,806
Oversea(c) .. ..	313	431	191	377	444
Total .. ..	547	879	1,660	2,815	3,250
Accidents—					
Persons killed .. No.	3	18	4	1	26
„ injured .. ..	1	3	3	1	10

(a) Includes particulars of the Indian Ocean service but excludes particulars of trans-Tasman service. (b) At 30th June of year shown above each column. (c) Includes gross weight (i.e. including weight of mail bags) of all overseas mails. (d) At 31st October, 1943.

NOTE.—Figures for flying operations during 1942-43 and later refer to the larger organizations only.

**C.—Telephones.**

Particulars.	At 30th June—				At 30th September, 1945.
	1942.	1943.	1944.	1945.	
Lines connected ..	No. 531,075	No. 540,261	No. 557,072	No. 577,777	No. 585,347
Instruments connected ..	738,666	766,846	799,729	827,862	836,497

**D.—Motor Vehicles.**

(EXCLUDING DEFENCE SERVICE VEHICLES).

State or Territory.	No. of Registrations.				No. of Drivers, and Riders' Licences Issued.	Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars.	Com-mercial Ve-hicles, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicles' Registra-tion and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders' &c., Licences.	Miscel-laneous.	Total.
1943-44.									
New South Wales ..	182,287	79,000	14,897	276,184	423,452	2,070,935	£ 214,192	£ 60,303	£ 2,345,430
Victoria ..	136,842	89,354	17,965	244,161	337,171	1,440,104	84,299	80,308	1,604,711
Queensland ..	68,247	50,788	6,103	125,138	264,346	692,880	59,837	65,565	818,282
South Australia ..	57,366	24,008	6,553	87,927	105,951	510,297	54,115	12,741	577,153
Western Australia ..	30,370	22,791	4,327	57,488	70,420	325,779	23,081	34,157	383,017
Tasmania ..	16,730	6,321	2,583	25,634	27,348	181,018	13,674	20,557	215,249
Northern Territory	174	1,570	35	1,779	1,177	1,878	537	..	2,415
Australian Capital Territory ..	1,375	437	97	1,909	2,577	9,881	1,421	69	11,371
Total ..	493,391	274,269	52,560	820,220	1,232,442	5,232,772	451,156	273,700	5,957,628
Total, 1942-43 ..	471,742	255,933	48,321	775,996	1,185,398	4,982,634	439,509	267,416	5,689,55

## NUMBER OF REGISTRATIONS AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1945.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
Motor Cars ..	187,410	138,367	69,195	59,717	29,675	17,104	193	1,415	503,076
Commercial Vehicles, &c.	85,966	97,481	54,998	25,674	23,821	7,162	2,273	476	297,851
Motor Cycles ..	16,676	20,407	6,581	7,789	4,193	2,926	54	103	58,729
Total ..	290,052	256,255	130,774	93,180	(a)57,689	27,192	(b)2,520	1,994	859,656
Total at 30th Sept., 1944	278,799	249,286	126,625	89,752	56,247	25,817	1,779	1,927	830,232

(a) Includes extra-metropolitan area as at 31st August, 1945.

(b) At 30th June, 1945.

## REGISTRATIONS OF NEW VEHICLES DURING THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1945.

Vehicles.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Total. (a)
Motor Cars ..	63	195	8	6	2	9	1	284
Commercial Vehicles, &c.	518	434	225	151	86	69	1	1,484
Motor Cycles ..	23	22	3	6	15	..	..	69
Total ..	604	651	236	163	103	78	2	1,837
Total, three months ended Sept., 1944 ..	870	906	583	263	248	124	..	2,994

(a) Excludes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—In each of the tables above, taxis and hire cars are included with motor cars and particulars of primary producers' vehicles in Victoria are included under the heading Commercial Vehicles, &amp;c.

**E.—Wireless.**

## NUMBER OF BROADCAST LISTENERS' LICENCES. (a)

In force at—	N.S.W. (b)	Victoria.	Q'land. (c)	S. Aust. (d)	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia.
30th June, 1939 ..	433,029	327,579	133,217	117,307	79,262	39,392	1,129,786
" " 1940 ..	458,155	348,158	151,110	124,891	87,764	42,182	1,212,260
" " 1941 ..	494,884	362,790	168,216	131,292	91,368	44,716	1,293,266
" " 1942 ..	500,451	371,502	172,527	137,244	91,945	46,404	1,320,073
" " 1943 ..	552,044	390,950	177,846	151,258	97,785	49,910	1,419,793
" " 1944 ..	560,032	409,325	180,090	155,253	99,246	50,356	1,454,302
" " 1945 ..	572,697	412,317	184,341	157,825	102,065	50,557	1,479,802
30th Sept., 1945 ..	568,280	44,488	185,085	158,744	101,669	50,259	1,475,525

(a) From 30th June, 1943, includes licences in respect of more than one receiver owned by one person.

(b) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Includes Papua.

(d) Includes Northern Territory.



## Section VI.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

## TRADE UNIONS.

## Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.	Australia.
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.										
1940	196	147	115	118	140	77	4	15	812	(a)381
1941	193	146	115	117	141	76	4	15	807	(a)374
1942	194	142	113	113	138	73	4	15	792	(a)377
1943	192	142	113	113	138	73	4	15	790	(a)375
1944	189	141	112	112	136	72	4	15	781	(a)370
NUMBER OF BRANCHES.										
1940	601	387	309	174	209	71	..	1	1,752	(b)2,183
1941	599	386	309	174	208	71	..	1	1,748	(b)2,181
1942	597	382	308	174	208	71	..	1	1,741	(b)2,156
1943	592	382	308	175	207	71	..	1	1,736	(b)2,151
1944	591	382	307	173	208	71	..	1	1,733	(b)2,144
NUMBER OF MEMBERS.										
1940	364,202	232,288	189,732	73,503	68,271	24,556	1,405	1,905	955,862	955,862
1941	425,522	270,343	192,015	95,289	65,015	24,292	1,406	1,798	1,075,680	1,075,680
1942	483,039	302,782	190,578	111,388	64,535	26,893	1,406	1,796	1,182,417	1,182,417
1943	498,169	311,791	194,225	107,311	63,880	26,130	1,406	1,951	1,204,863	1,204,863
1944	508,832	314,952	192,085	104,892	67,617	26,939	1,406	2,055	1,218,778	1,218,778

(a) Allowing for interstate duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and interstate groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. (b) Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of interstate unions, but also head State branches of interstate unions.

## UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

## Unemployment—Australia—Number, Membership of Reporting Unions and Branches, and Number and Percentage Unemployed.(a)

Period.				Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
						Number.	Percentage. (b)
1940 Year	..	..	..	394	491,352	39,116	8.0
1941 "	..	..	..	395	536,060	20,013	3.7
1942 "	..	..	..	394	613,534	9,754	1.6
1943 "	..	..	..	390	678,713	7,545	1.1
1944 "	..	..	..	389	681,689	8,073	1.2
1932—June	Quarter(c)	..	..	396	413,742	124,068	30.0
1941—December	"	..	..	394	572,680	16,628	2.9
1942—March	"	..	..	394	588,525	10,767	1.8
June	"	..	..	394	603,066	10,296	1.7
September	"	..	..	394	617,076	9,603	1.6
December	"	..	..	394	645,467	8,350	1.3
1943—March	"	..	..	391	665,334	8,021	1.2
June	"	..	..	390	680,292	7,423	1.1
September	"	..	..	390	682,557	7,356	1.1
December	"	..	..	390	686,667	7,381	1.1
1944—March	"	..	..	390	688,381	6,987	1.0
June	"	..	..	389	683,463	9,433	1.4
September	"	..	..	389	680,218	7,947	1.2
December	"	..	..	389	674,695	7,925	1.2
1945—March	"	..	..	388	683,632	7,616	1.1
June	"	..	..	388	679,227	7,795	1.1
September	"	..	..	387	668,674	7,769	1.2

(a) The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter: they include persons out of work through sickness, but exclude persons out of work through strikes or lockouts, except those outside the industry concerned who are indirectly affected. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters. (b) A more extended table of percentages will be found on page 77. (c) Peak of unemployment.

NOTE.—The unions covered by the returns represent 56 per cent. of the total membership of unions, and relate to between 20 and 25 per cent. of all wage and salary earners. The value of the percentages of unemployment derived from Trade Union returns is in the indication they give of the trend of unemployment among trade unionists as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

## Unemployment(a)—States—Percentage Unemployed.

Period.				N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
				%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1940 Year	..	..	..	11.0	5.8	5.5	7.0	5.6	5.2	8.0
1941	..	..	..	4.7	2.5	4.5	2.7	2.9	3.3	3.7
1942	..	..	..	1.8	1.2	2.3	1.1	1.6	0.8	1.6
1943	..	..	..	1.4	0.7	1.2	0.9	1.5	1.3	1.1
1944	..	..	..	1.6	0.8	0.7	1.0	1.5	0.8	1.2
1932—June	Quarter (b)	..	..	33.2	27.7	19.9	35.2	30.3	27.5	30.0
1940—December	..	..	..	8.5	4.3	4.5	4.7	4.0	6.5	6.2
1941—March	..	..	..	7.0	3.2	5.9	3.9	4.3	3.6	5.3
June	..	..	..	4.5	2.4	4.2	2.8	3.1	2.4	3.6
September	..	..	..	4.0	2.2	4.1	2.3	2.4	2.6	3.2
December	..	..	..	3.5	2.1	3.8	1.8	1.8	4.5	2.9
1942—March	..	..	..	2.0	1.4	3.2	1.0	1.7	0.7	1.8
June	..	..	..	1.9	1.2	2.6	1.3	1.7	0.6	1.7
September	..	..	..	1.9	1.2	1.8	1.1	1.8	0.9	1.6
December	..	..	..	1.5	0.9	1.6	0.9	1.3	0.8	1.3
1943—March	..	..	..	1.4	0.8	1.5	1.0	1.6	1.3	1.2
June	..	..	..	1.3	0.6	1.3	1.0	1.5	1.2	1.1
September	..	..	..	1.3	0.7	1.1	0.9	1.7	1.2	1.1
December	..	..	..	1.4	0.7	0.9	0.8	1.4	1.4	1.1
1944—March	..	..	..	1.3	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.5	0.7	1.0
June	..	..	..	1.9	0.9	0.7	1.3	1.9	0.7	1.4
September	..	..	..	1.6	0.8	0.8	0.9	1.2	0.9	1.2
December	..	..	..	1.6	0.9	0.6	0.9	1.2	0.7	1.2
1945—March	..	..	..	1.5	0.8	0.5	1.2	1.0	0.7	1.1
June	..	..	..	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.5	1.1	0.8	1.1
September	..	..	..	1.5	0.8	0.9	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.2

(a) See notes to table on page 54.

(b) Peak of unemployment.

NOTE.—For some States the returns are a more representative sample than for others. The table above, therefore, should not be read as indicating the relative degree of unemployment among trade unionists in the individual States, but as an indication of trend of unemployment as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

## Unemployment(a)—Australia—Percentages in Industrial Groups.

Industrial Group.	1932.	1944.			1945.		
	June Qtr.(b)	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Manufacturing—							
I. Wood, Furniture, &c. . .	39.6	0.9	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.7
II. Engineering, Metal, Works &c. . . . .	33.9	1.7	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.8
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c. . .	19.3	3.0	1.8	2.3	2.5	2.5	2.0
IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c. . .	22.6	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.8	0.9
V. Books, Printing, &c. . .	16.8	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
VI. Other Manufacturing . . .	43.0	1.0	1.1	1.3	1.7	1.8	2.2
VII. Building . . .	42.1	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.0	1.2	1.4
VIII. Mining, Quarrying, &c. . .	34.2	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.4
X. Land Transport other than Railway and Tramway Services . . . . .	29.6	1.3	1.8	2.0	2.7	3.2	2.6
IX., XI., XII., XIII., and XIV.(c) Other and Miscellaneous . .	22.2	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.7
All Groups . . . . .	30.0	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.2

(a) See notes to table on page 54.  
see page 60.

(b) Peak of unemployment.

(c) For classification

## AUSTRALIA.—Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment.

Month.	Total Employment. (a) (Excluding Rural, Household Domestic and Defence Forces.)			Total Employment in Main Industrial Groups.						
	Governmental Authorities. (b)	Private Employers. (c)	Total.	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (d)	Allied Works Council Projects.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.	Professional and Personal Services. (e)
MALES (Thousands).										
1933—June	262.2	729.9	992.1	36.3	251.7	..	164.5	212.3		112.6
1939—July	349.8	943.3	1,293.1	54.0	391.5	..	208.0	115.0	128.0	140.0
1941—July	375.3	988.1	1,363.4	54.4	490.9	..	202.3	102.0	117.1	127.1
Nov.	381.5	999.8	1,381.3	53.9	509.8	..	207.3	101.9	117.9	127.2
1942—July	420.3	888.1	1,308.4	47.7	513.2	51.2	205.3	79.4	96.6	111.8
1943—June	412.5	861.4	1,273.9	45.0	520.7	46.7	205.1	71.4	88.8	106.5
Aug.	412.5	857.1	1,269.6	44.7	519.2	43.2	205.8	70.3	88.1	106.6
1944—Mar.	408.5	868.1	1,276.6	44.2	520.6	32.0	210.3	70.7	90.9	110.6
June	404.0	867.5	1,271.5	44.2	518.2	27.0	212.6	71.1	91.3	111.6
Sept.	400.3	869.2	1,269.5	44.5	515.2	21.8	215.8	71.7	92.3	113.6
Dec.	396.2	872.7	1,268.9	44.2	508.8	20.5	216.1	76.2	93.4	115.2
1945—Feb.	399.2	879.4	1,278.6	44.6	511.3	21.1	219.4	74.5	94.5	116.4
Mar.	399.7	881.4	1,281.1	43.9	511.5	21.2	219.1	75.1	94.8	117.5
April	400.8	879.6	1,280.4	44.5	510.2	21.4	220.3	75.3	94.1	116.8
May	399.7	882.9	1,282.6	44.2	510.4	21.4	220.6	75.9	94.2	117.5
June	399.7	885.3	1,285.0	44.3	511.8	20.8	220.2	76.0	95.0	118.0
July	398.9	886.0	1,284.9	44.4	510.9	17.5	221.5	76.2	95.2	118.6
Aug.	398.1	889.4	1,287.5	44.6	511.6	15.1	222.1	76.8	95.8	119.8
FEMALES (Thousands).										
1933—June	46.5	294.3	340.8	0.2	103.1	..	11.0	87.3		130.7
1939—July	55.2	381.9	437.1	0.4	148.2	..	14.4	81.0	34.0	129.0
1941—July	70.8	477.7	548.5	0.5	187.8	..	21.1	102.3	44.1	148.1
Nov.	76.3	494.7	571.0	0.5	198.2	..	22.0	106.4	47.4	150.4
1942—July	102.4	496.5	598.9	0.6	212.4	..	26.4	103.0	52.3	152.5
1943—June	129.2	502.1	631.3	0.5	228.6	..	34.5	98.2	52.5	157.2
Aug.	134.4	500.5	634.9	0.6	228.1	..	35.9	97.0	52.9	159.6
1944—Mar.	134.4	506.8	641.2	0.7	225.1	..	36.9	94.7	52.4	166.1
June	129.9	503.9	633.8	0.6	217.4	..	37.2	95.8	52.3	166.5
Sept.	127.6	508.7	636.3	0.7	215.5	..	37.4	95.7	53.0	170.7
Dec.	124.3	513.6	637.9	0.7	211.8	..	38.0	101.5	52.6	171.7
1945—Feb.	122.6	513.0	635.6	0.6	210.9	..	37.9	98.2	53.0	173.4
Mar.	122.9	516.2	639.1	0.6	211.8	..	38.1	98.8	53.3	174.4
April	122.2	512.2	634.4	0.6	208.3	..	38.0	98.6	53.0	174.5
May	121.6	511.9	633.5	0.6	207.2	..	38.1	99.1	53.0	174.6
June	121.2	513.1	634.3	0.6	206.8	..	38.6	99.6	53.2	175.0
July	121.0	511.4	632.4	0.6	206.1	..	38.6	99.4	53.4	174.6
Aug.	118.9	513.5	632.4	0.6	205.1	..	38.5	99.9	53.6	176.0
PERSONS (Thousands).										
1933—June	308.7	1,024.2	1,332.9	36.5	354.8	..	175.5	299.6		243.3
1939—July	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	54.4	539.7	..	222.4	196.0	162.0	269.0
1941—July	446.1	1,465.8	1,911.9	54.9	678.7	..	223.4	204.3	161.2	275.2
Nov.	457.8	1,494.5	1,952.3	54.4	708.0	..	229.3	208.3	165.3	277.6
1942—July	522.7	1,384.6	1,907.3	48.3	725.6	51.2	231.7	182.4	148.9	264.3
1943—June	541.7	1,363.5	1,905.2	45.5	749.3	46.7	239.6	169.6	141.3	263.7
Aug.	546.9	1,357.6	1,904.5	45.3	747.3	43.2	241.7	167.3	141.0	266.2
1944—Mar.	542.9	1,374.9	1,917.8	44.9	745.7	32.0	247.2	165.4	143.3	276.7
June	533.9	1,371.4	1,905.3	44.8	735.6	27.0	249.8	166.9	143.6	278.1
Sept.	527.9	1,377.9	1,905.8	45.2	730.7	21.8	253.2	167.4	145.3	284.3
Dec.	520.5	1,386.3	1,906.8	44.9	720.6	20.5	254.1	177.7	146.0	286.9
1945—Feb.	521.8	1,392.4	1,914.2	45.2	722.2	21.1	257.3	172.7	147.5	289.8
Mar.	522.6	1,397.6	1,920.2	44.5	723.3	21.2	257.2	173.9	148.1	291.9
April	523.0	1,391.8	1,914.8	45.1	718.5	21.4	258.3	173.9	147.1	291.3
May	521.3	1,394.8	1,916.1	44.8	717.6	21.4	258.7	175.0	147.2	292.1
June	520.9	1,398.4	1,919.3	44.9	718.6	20.8	258.8	175.6	148.2	293.0
July	519.9	1,397.4	1,917.3	45.0	717.0	17.5	260.1	175.6	148.6	293.2
Aug.	517.0	1,402.9	1,919.9	45.2	716.7	15.1	260.6	176.7	149.4	295.8

(a) Employees in the defence forces at home or abroad, and Government "relief" workers are excluded. From July, 1941, estimated total employment is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and records of Government employment. All figures to June, 1943, are final. (b) Includes employees of Australian Government authorities (Commonwealth, State and Local) and of Allied Governments. (c) The estimated number of males in private employment in 1944 and 1945 may exclude some employees engaged on smaller buildings (houses, &c.) and in alterations and repairs to buildings. (d) From July, 1944, monthly figures are estimates, subject to revision. (e) Includes Education, Health, Hotels and Restaurants, Professional and Personal Services (except female private domestic).

## EMPLOYMENT IN FACTORIES.

(Number of Employees in Thousands excluding Working Proprietors.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.				
							Governmental (Munitions, Aircraft and Ships). (a)	Other Factories (including War Contractors). (b)	Total Factories.	Index av. 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.	
										Unadjusted.	Divided by Index of Total Population.
1928-29 ..	174.1	149.3	43.4	35.4	19.8	10.0	7.1	424.9	432.0	822	889
1936-37 ..	197.8	183.0	45.9	39.3	21.4	11.8	6.6	492.6	499.2	950	959
1937-38 ..	215.6	193.6	49.6	42.6	22.0	12.5	7.4	528.5	535.9	1,019	1,019
1938-39 ..	219.5	193.9	51.5	42.0	22.1	13.2	10.1	532.1	542.2	1,031	1,022
1939-40 ..	227.1	204.4	53.0	43.5	21.9	14.0	16.9	547.0	563.9	1,073	1,053
1940-41 ..	257.0	229.7	54.8	49.5	21.8	15.1	41.5	586.4	627.9	1,194	1,159
1941-42 ..	289.3	250.5	59.5	63.8	23.0	16.7	79.8	623.0	702.8	1,337	1,286
1942-43 ..	306.4	255.6	62.2	71.5	25.1	18.0	121.8	617.0	738.8	1,405	1,339
1943-44 ..	313.8	253.9	62.5	67.9	27.2	19.2	116.0	628.5	744.5	1,416	1,338
1944-45 ..	305.1	247.6	60.6	64.2	27.8	19.0	89.1	635.2	724.3	1,378	1,288
1943-44—											
March ..	314.3	255.0	62.3	66.8	27.5	19.8	109.4	636.3	745.7	1,418	1,336
June ..	309.6	249.4	63.8	65.8	27.5	19.5	102.5	633.1	735.6	1,399	1,315
1944-45(c)—											
September ..	306.9	248.5	63.6	65.2	27.5	19.0	98.2	632.5	730.7	1,390	1,303
December ..	305.3	248.0	56.7	64.0	28.1	18.5	88.3	632.3	720.6	1,371	1,281
March ..	303.7	249.2	59.3	63.9	27.8	19.4	83.9	639.4	723.3	1,376	1,284
June ..	302.3	244.9	61.2	63.1	27.9	19.2	79.4	639.2	718.6	1,367	1,271
July ..	301.6	243.7	61.7	63.1	27.9	19.0	76.7	640.3	717.0	1,364	1,268
August ..	301.9	243.4	63.4	61.9	27.7	18.4	71.8	644.9	716.7	1,363	1,266

(a) Includes Government establishments, annexes, and certain private firms engaged exclusively on aircraft and ship-building, but excludes private factories engaged partly on war contracts and partly on other works.  
 (b) Includes railway and tramway workshops, electricity and other Governmental institutions not included in previous column.  
 (c) From July, 1944, monthly figures are estimates, subject to revision.

## EMPLOYMENT IN RETAIL STORES.

PAY-ROLL TAX.—Employees on the last pay-roll of each month shown on returns of taxable employers whose principal activity was retail trade.

Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (Six States).
MALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.							
Employees—July, 1941 ..	31,868	23,782	10,701	7,278	4,746	2,529	80,904
1941—July ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1943—June ..	700	700	701	729	694	756	704
1944—June ..	694	695	697	744	695	781	702
1945—June ..	722	744	769	805	794	844	750
July ..	725	747	767	807	794	850	752
August ..	734	758	762	803	788	867	758
FEMALES—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.							
Employees—July, 1941 ..	31,840	22,088	8,533	7,184	4,832	2,067	76,544
1941—July ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1943—June ..	951	937	1,019	959	974	988	958
1944—June ..	911	909	1,022	977	961	994	935
1945—June ..	959	921	1,049	1,048	1,010	1,047	973
July ..	958	910	1,042	1,047	1,003	1,059	970
August ..	965	922	1,055	1,042	1,003	1,060	975
PERSONS—INDEX OF EMPLOYMENT.							
Employees—July, 1941 ..	63,708	45,870	19,234	14,462	9,578	4,596	157,448
1941—July ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1943—June ..	826	814	842	843	835	860	827
1944—June ..	802	798	841	860	829	877	815
1945—June ..	840	829	893	926	903	935	858
July ..	841	825	889	926	899	944	858
August ..	849	837	892	922	897	953	864



**Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work).**

Period.	Num-ber.	Estab-lish-ments In-volved.	Workpeople Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Esti-mated Loss in Wages. £
			Di-rectly.	Indi-rectly.	Total.	New Dis-putes.	Old Dis-putes.	Total.	

**NEW SOUTH WALES.**

Year—1944 ..	801	921	213,007	8,175	221,182	567,565	7,740	575,305	760,380
1944—June Qtr.	200	237	50,084	698	50,782	99,363	5,350	104,713	132,517
Sept. "	217	279	56,805	3,181	59,986	136,711	..	136,711	173,039
Dec. "	178	187	48,440	2,471	50,911	129,393	1,645	131,038	177,435
1945—March "	217	250	53,342	1,631	54,973	153,872	..	153,872	211,460
June "	203	304	54,233	10,829	65,062	213,607	10,001	223,608	275,774

**VICTORIA.**

Year—1944 ..	53	89	13,348	294	13,642	71,358	1,260	72,618	73,223
1944—June Qtr.	15	18	1,445	..	1,445	4,744	..	4,744	3,823
Sept. "	13	23	4,126	84	4,210	16,214	1,260	17,474	17,404
Dec. "	15	20	2,949	60	3,009	16,826	..	16,826	17,087
1945—March "	13	13	1,098	65	1,163	5,981	288	6,269	5,756
June "	8	8	560	..	560	8,662	..	8,662	7,368

**QUEENSLAND.**

Year—1944 ..	23	32	8,493	..	8,493	63,084	..	63,084	67,401
1944—June Qtr.	4	4	1,809	..	1,809	15,601	..	15,601	17,724
Sept. "	5	9	1,449	..	1,449	4,101	..	4,101	4,146
Dec. "	8	12	2,990	..	2,990	32,822	..	32,822	31,449
1945—March "	9	87	6,148	99	6,247	100,943	..	100,943	93,003
June "	8	12	1,378	..	1,378	8,932	1,170	10,102	10,739

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA.**

Year—1944 ..	30	71	18,250	3,230	21,480	76,086	..	76,086	80,614
1944—June Qtr.	11	11	2,539	43	2,582	3,679	..	3,679	3,628
Sept. "	8	8	8,985	3,187	12,172	19,160	..	19,160	19,528
Dec. "	4	4	1,081	..	1,081	2,191	..	2,191	1,997
1945—March "	5	6	289	16	305	2,533	300	2,833	2,785
June "	4	4	1,364	..	1,364	4,712	..	4,712	4,567

**WESTERN AUSTRALIA.**

Year—1944 ..	30	75	7,161	3,867	11,028	44,984	45,000	89,984	93,601
1944—June Qtr.	4	11	506	..	506	4,436	..	4,436	5,809
Sept. "	12	25	2,521	17	2,538	7,864	..	7,864	7,834
Dec. "	9	34	2,661	..	2,661	27,608	..	27,608	31,713
1945—March "	6	6	304	..	304	958	9,120	10,078	11,874
June "	2	9	424	644	1,068	14,544	..	14,544	13,600

**TASMANIA.**

Year—1944 ..	4	4	533	..	533	35,675	..	35,675	36,510
1944—June Qtr.	1	1	114	..	114	228	..	228	250
Sept. "	1	1	18	..	18	198	..	198	200
Dec. "	1	1	352	..	352	35,200	..	35,200	36,000
1944—March "	3	3	355	..	355	730	..	730	843
June "	1	1	44	..	44	88	..	88	143

**AUSTRALIA.**

Year—1944 ..	941	1,192	260,792	15,566	276,358	858,752	54,000	912,752	1,111,729
1944—June Qtr.	235	282	56,497	741	57,238	128,051	5,350	133,401	163,751
Sept. "	256	345	73,904	6,469	80,373	184,248	1,260	185,508	222,151
Dec. "	215	258	58,473	2,531	61,004	244,040	1,645	245,685	295,681
1945—March "	253	365	61,536	1,811	63,347	265,017	9,708	274,725	325,721
June "	226	338	58,003	11,473	69,476	250,545	11,171	261,716	312,191

**Total Average Weekly Wages Paid and Average Earnings in Civil Employment.**

(Estimates—Subject to Revision.)

Wages which are recorded on Pay-roll Tax Returns represent approximately 80 per cent. of the total for Australia; the balance has been estimated.

Period.	New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Australia and Northern Territory.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
TOTAL AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES PAID.							
1941-42—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
September Qtr.	4,090	2,944	1,210	846	607	259	9,956
December „	4,306	3,073	1,281	878	628	269	10,435
March „	4,109	2,969	1,208	874	585	263	10,008
June „	4,484	3,143	1,381	936	600	283	10,827
1942-43—							
September Qtr.	4,503	3,127	1,453	931	567	273	10,854
December „	4,742	3,263	1,538	967	587	283	11,380
March „	4,508	3,145	1,412	916	582	269	10,832
June „	4,679	3,244	1,549	947	596	293	11,308
1943-44—							
September Qtr.	4,649	3,228	1,592	948	600	294	11,311
December „	4,947	3,359	1,677	979	622	304	11,888
March „	4,584	3,131	1,559	935	593	306	11,108
June „	4,726	3,222	1,589	972	614	313	11,436
1944-45—							
September Qtr.	4,590	3,135	1,549	962	599	312	11,147
December „	4,766	3,260	1,553	964	629	306	11,478
March „	4,551	3,073	1,414	913	619	303	10,873
June „	4,783	3,223	1,540	911	632	321	11,410
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER MALE UNIT.(a)							
1941-42—	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
September Qtr.	5.58	5.52	4.88	5.04	5.35	4.61	5.37
December „	5.83	5.76	5.23	5.16	5.50	4.75	5.61
March „	5.66	5.70	5.07	5.19	5.33	4.69	5.50
June „	6.28	6.18	5.73	5.60	5.73	5.13	6.05
Year ..	5.83	5.78	5.22	5.25	5.47	4.79	5.63
1942-43—							
September Qtr.	6.36	6.33	6.03	5.70	5.67	5.05	6.17
December „	6.72	6.71	6.43	6.03	5.89	5.32	6.52
March „	6.41	6.48	5.89	5.78	5.82	5.04	6.22
June „	6.70	6.75	6.42	6.07	6.00	5.53	6.54
Year ..	6.54	6.57	6.19	5.89	5.84	5.23	6.36
1943-44—							
September Qtr.	6.58	6.80	6.59	6.09	6.09	5.60	6.58
December „	7.11	7.10	6.86	6.25	6.30	5.70	6.90
March „	6.59	6.56	6.43	5.95	6.04	5.66	6.44
June „	6.82	6.79	6.71	6.09	6.24	5.70	6.66
Year ..	6.80	6.81	6.65	6.10	6.17	5.66	6.64
1944-45—							
September Qtr.	6.62	6.60	6.61	5.99	6.08	5.66	6.49
December „	6.84	6.84	6.72	6.05	6.30	5.59	6.68
March „	6.50	6.42	6.07	5.78	6.15	5.41	6.30
June „	6.81	6.75	6.51	5.82	6.25	5.66	6.60
Year ..	6.69	6.66	6.48	5.91	6.20	5.58	6.52

(a) Total civil employment expressed in male units is derived by adding to total male employment 45 per cent. of total female employment.

NOTE.—The above figures are approximations subject to revision when data are sufficient for the final estimate of annual amounts paid and average quarterly earnings.

**Wages.—Adult Males—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th June, 1945.**

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
I. Wood, Furniture, &c.	Weekly Wage	124/10	120/6	119/7	115/1	117/11	115/2	120/9
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/10	2/8½	2/8½	2/7½	2/8½	2/7½	2/9
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	Weekly Wage	121/11	120/4	118/11	115/11	124/11	119/9	120/6
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.11	44.00	44.00	44.01
	Hourly Wage	2/9½	2/8½	2/8½	2/7½	2/10	2/8½	2/8½
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	119/11	118/4	116/4	116/1	118/4	112/2	118/2
	Working Hours	44.00	44.04	43.44	44.00	44.13	44.00	43.91
	Hourly Wage	2/8½	2/8½	2/8½	2/7½	2/8½	2/6½	2/8½
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage	116/11	118/5	123/6	123/6	119/5	114/1	118/8
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/8	2/8½	2/9½	2/9½	2/8½	2/7	2/8½
V. Books, Printing, &c.	Weekly Wage	135/0	137/2	125/7	128/1	145/3	127/6	134/4
	Working Hours	42.49	41.91	42.28	43.56	42.76	43.35	42.39
	Hourly Wage	3/2	3/3½	2/11½	2/11½	3/4½	2/11½	3/2
VI. Other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	119/10	118/3	115/2	117/3	118/8	119/9	118/7
	Working Hours	43.87	43.90	43.78	43.71	44.03	43.75	43.86
	Hourly Wage	2/8½	2/8½	2/7½	2/8½	2/8½	2/8½	2/8½
VII. Building	Weekly Wage	132/2	132/6	120/2	119/0	125/11	122/0	128/11
	Working Hours	43.66	44.00	40.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.42
	Hourly Wage	3/0½	3/0½	3/0	2/8½	2/10½	2/9½	2/11½
VIII. Mining (c)	Weekly Wage	127/5	122/0	128/7	94/0	137/8	114/3	126/5
	Working Hours	40.70	40.47	40.93	43.79	40.50	41.33	40.80
	Hourly Wage	3/1½	3/0½	3/1½	2/1½	3/4½	2/9½	3/1½
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	123/10	123/4	120/10	115/6	119/8	112/7	121/11
	Working Hours	43.80	43.74	44.00	44.00	43.75	44.00	43.83
	Hourly Wage	2/10	2/9½	2/9	2/7½	2/8½	2/6½	2/9½
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	113/6	111/4	110/6	106/7	116/4	104/8	111/8
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	2/7	2/6½	2/6½	2/5	2/7½	2/4½	2/6½
XI. Shipping, &c.	Weekly Wage <sup>d</sup>	122/9	123/4	119/11	121/4	121/10	121/6	122/2
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage <sup>e</sup>	121/1	119/8	125/1	119/9	119/9	123/8	121/5
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage <sup>e</sup>	110/9	112/6	105/8	102/8	107/1	101/0	109/4
	Working Hours	44.00	44.33	44.00	44.00	44.80	44.00	44.17
	Hourly Wage <sup>e</sup>	2/6½	2/6½	2/4½	2/4	2/4½	2/3½	2/5½
XIV. Miscellaneous	Weekly Wage	115/7	115/10	111/2	107/6	114/1	108/8	114/0
	Working Hours	44.00	44.67	44.00	44.65	44.00	43.77	44.26
	Hourly Wage	2/7½	2/7	2/6½	2/5	2/7	2/5½	2/7
All Groups (a)	Weekly Wage	121/0	119/9	119/3	114/1	122/1	116/3	119/8
All Groups except XI. and XII. (a)	Weekly Wage	120/10	119/8	117/1	111/11	122/7	112/11	119/2
	Working Hours	43.50	43.91	43.18	44.21	43.15	43.38	43.61
	Hourly Wage	2/9½	2/8½	2/8½	2/6½	2/10	2/7½	2/8½

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Excludes District allowances in the gold-mining industry.

(c) Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State.

(d) Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where supplied.

(e) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging, where supplied.

**Wages.—Adult Females—Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th June, 1945.**

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	61/0	65/5	59/9	55/9	53/11	64/9	62/7
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/5½	1/4½	1/3½	1/2½	1/5½	1/5
	Weekly Wage	71/10	73/1	75/3	75/3	63/6	71/8	72/8
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Working Hours	44.0	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00
	Hourly Wage	1/7½	1/8	1/8½	1/8½	1/5½	1/7½	1/7½
	Weekly Wage	69/8	75/1	64/11	65/6	..	59/9	71/6
	Working Hours	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.77	..	44.00	43.99
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing	Hourly Wage	1/7	1/8½	1/5½	1/6	..	1/4½	1/7½
	Weekly Wage <i>b</i>	64/10	71/7	68/7	59/4	68/6	63/2	67/3
	Working Hours	43.38	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	44.00	43.78
	Hourly Wage <i>b</i>	1/6	1/7½	1/6½	1/4½	1/6½	1/5½	1/6½
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage	76/6	79/6	81/10	55/8	..	..	76/1
	Working Hours	44.00	45.00	44.00	44.00	..	..	44.36
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c...	Hourly Wage	1/8½	1/9½	1/10½	1/3½	..	..	1/8½
All Groups (a)	Weekly Wage	70/11	73/11	74/1	66/1	65/10	68/3	71/10
	Working Hours	43.88	44.19	44.00	43.99	44.00	44.00	44.03
	Hourly Wage	1/7½	1/8	1/8½	1/6	1/6	1/6½	1/7½

(a) Weighted average. (b) Includes the estimated value of board and lodging where applied.

**Wages.—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 1914 to 30th June, 1945.**

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
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**ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.**

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
" " 1939	96 7	94 0	97 5	88 11	100 6	89 5	95 3
" " 1940	99 7	97 0	97 9	92 11	104 0	92 7	98 1
" " 1941	105 4	104 5	101 9	100 3	110 2	99 3	104 3
" " 1942	118 3	116 7	110 2	112 3	117 7	108 2	115 8
" " 1943	121 3	119 7	116 10	113 9	122 2	116 9	119 5
" " 1944	121 4	119 6	118 0	113 7	121 10	116 6	119 6
31st March, 1945	121 4	119 7	118 0	113 8	122 1	116 5	119 7
30th June, 1945	121 0	119 9	119 3	114 1	122 1	116 3	119 8

**ADULT MALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—51s. 3d. (a) IN 1911 = 1,000.)**

	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
31st December, 1914	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
" " 1939	1,885	1,825	1,900	1,735	1,962	1,745	1,958
" " 1940	1,943	1,892	1,908	1,812	2,029	1,807	1,913
" " 1941	2,056	2,037	1,985	1,957	2,149	1,937	2,034
" " 1942	2,308	2,275	2,150	2,189	2,294	2,111	2,257
" " 1943	2,366	2,333	2,279	2,219	2,383	2,279	2,329
" " 1944	2,367	2,332	2,303	2,216	2,377	2,273	2,322
31st March, 1945	2,367	2,333	2,303	2,218	2,382	2,272	2,323
30th June, 1945	2,361	2,337	2,327	2,226	2,382	2,268	2,336

**ADULT FEMALES—RATES OF WAGE.**

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914	26 10	27 9	27 1	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 5
" " 1939	53 3	51 9	55 2	49 7	55 8	50 8	52 8
" " 1940	54 9	53 5	56 0	52 1	57 6	53 1	54 3
" " 1941	57 11	58 4	59 6	55 5	60 4	56 7	58 2
" " 1942	63 10	64 11	66 4	60 3	64 2	61 3	64 4
" " 1943	67 11	70 2	69 9	61 3	66 6	63 3	68 4
" " 1944	71 3	73 11	74 1	65 4	65 10	68 6	71 11
31st March, 1945	71 3	74 0	74 1	66 1	65 10	68 5	72 0
30th June, 1945	70 11	73 11	74 1	66 1	65 10	68 3	71 10

**ADULT FEMALES—INDEX-NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. (a) IN APRIL, 1914 = 1,000)**

	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
31st December, 1914	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
" " 1939	1,960	1,906	2,031	1,826	2,049	1,866	1,938
" " 1940	2,016	1,966	2,060	1,916	2,116	1,954	1,996
" " 1941	2,133	2,148	2,191	2,038	2,220	2,082	2,141
" " 1942	2,350	2,391	2,442	2,216	2,361	2,255	2,368
" " 1943	2,501	2,582	2,568	2,253	2,446	2,329	2,516
" " 1944	2,622	2,722	2,726	2,406	2,422	2,520	2,647
31st March, 1945	2,622	2,722	2,726	2,431	2,422	2,517	2,649
30th June, 1945	2,609	2,720	2,726	2,431	2,422	2,512	2,643

(a) Weighted average for Australia.



## Basic Weekly Wage Rates by State Industrial Tribunals.

State.	Basic Wage.		Date of Operation.	Family Unit (for Male Rate).
	Males.	Females.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
New South Wales ..	(a) 4 19 0	(a) 2 13 6	1.11.45	(b)
Victoria(c) ..	(4.18.0)	(2.13.0)	(1.8.44)	(c)
Queensland ..	(d) 4 17 0	2 14 6	2.8.43	Man, wife and three children
South Australia ..	4 14 0	2 6 2	15.10.42	" " " " "
Western Australia(e)	5 0 1	2 14 1	1.7.45	Man, wife and two children
Tasmania (c) ..	(4.14.0)	(2.10.6)	(1.11.45)	(c)

(a) Sydney, Newcastle, Port Kembla-Wollongong; Broken Hill—Males, £5 3s. 0d.; Females, £2 15s. 6d.; Elsewhere—Males, £4 16s. 0d.; Females, £2 12s. 0d. (b) Commonwealth Basic Wage operative—no defined family unit. (c) None declared, but rates shown are those of Commonwealth Court which are followed to a large extent. No defined family unit. (d) South-Eastern Division. Allowances are added for other Divisions:—Northern, 10s.; North-Western, 17s. 4d.; Mackay, 5s. 6d.; South-Western, 7s. 4d. Half of these allowances are granted to females. (e) Metropolitan Area. Basic wage from 1.7.45 for Gold-fields Areas and other portions of State excluding the S.W. Land Division—Males, £5 7s. 5d.; Females, £2 18s. 0d.; and from 1.3.45 for Agricultural Areas and S.W. Land Division—Males, £4 19s. 7d.; Females, £2 13s. 9d.

## Basic Weekly Wage Rates fixed by Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration for each Capital City.(a)

Capital.	1st November, 1944.	1st February, 1945.	1st May, 1945.	1st August, 1945.	1st November, 1945.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Sydney ..	99 0	99 0	98 0	98 0	99 0
Melbourne ..	98 0	98 0	98 0	98 0	98 0
Brisbane ..	93 0	93 0	93 0	93 0	93 0
Adelaide ..	93 0	93 0	93 0	93 0	93 0
Perth ..	94 0	93 0	93 0	94 0	94 0
Hobart ..	94 0	94 0	93 0	93 0	94 0
Six Capitals ..	96 0	96 0	96 0	96 0	96 0

NOTE.—Female rate generally 54 per cent. of male rate.

(a) "Court" Series Index-numbers—Commonwealth Court's Judgment of 23rd June, 1937. Includes "prosperity loadings" granted by Judgment. No defined family unit.

## Awards of Industrial Courts and Wages Board Determinations Made and Industrial Agreements Filed.

State.	1940.		1941.		1942.		1943.		1944.	
	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.	Awards or Determinations made.	Agreements filed.
New South Wales ..	70	22	65	49	72	23	24	11	36	10
Victoria... ..	170	..	262	..	202	..	129	..	110	..
Queensland ..	34	45	53	16	27	29	17	35	14	29
South Australia ..	53	7	167	8	160	12	44	7	31	3
Western Australia ..	31	21	30	18	19	19	6	12	9	9
Tasmania ..	18	..	21	..	19	..	20	..	16	..
Commonwealth Court ..	25	13	7	3	52	20	43	17	45	13
Commonwealth Public Service Arbitrator ..	1	..	5	..	4	..	3	..	4	..
Total ..	402	108	610	94	555	103	286	82	265	64

## Section VII.—Retail Price Index—Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.(a)

Note.—The index-numbers on this and the next four pages are related to the period 1923-27. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capitals are made equal to 1,000. In the combined tables the rent of 4 and 5 roomed houses only is taken into account.

The "B" Series represents the Food and Housing portion of the "All Items" ("C" Series) Index published on page .

### Retail Price Index-Numbers.—Capital Cities.

("B" Series.)

(Base in each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index-numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.	1938.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1944.		1945.		
							Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.

### GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

Sydney .. ..	904	952	962	1,040	1,042	1,025	1,035	1,022	1,027	1,040	1,042
Melbourne .. ..	884	947	943	1,042	1,055	1,049	1,063	1,046	1,052	1,059	1,063
Brisbane .. ..	838	889	911	972	975	965	964	959	967	969	965
Adelaide .. ..	861	900	905	1,012	1,003	993	999	988	993	1,003	1,011
Perth .. ..	899	949	981	1,029	1,059	1,056	1,067	1,049	1,059	1,064	1,067
Hobart .. ..	880	944	970	1,047	1,062	1,035	1,044	1,039	1,025	1,032	1,054
Six Capitals (b) ..	886	939	947	1,031	1,037	1,026	1,036	1,022	1,028	1,037	1,040

### GROUP IV.—HOUSING (c)—4 AND 5 ROOMS.

Sydney .. ..	1,004	1,042	1,043	1,043	1,042	1,043	1,043	1,043	1,043	1,043	1,043
Melbourne .. ..	935	969	975	975	974	974	973	973	973	973	973
Brisbane .. ..	841	857	860	862	862	863	863	863	863	863	863
Adelaide .. ..	868	892	893	893	893	892	892	892	892	892	892
Perth .. ..	872	882	883	885	885	886	886	886	886	886	886
Hobart .. ..	913	933	933	933	931	932	932	933	933	933	933
Six Capitals (b) ..	942	973	976	976	975	976	975	975	975	975	975

### ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—FOOD, GROCERIES, AND HOUSING (4 AND 5 ROOMS).

Sydney .. ..	941	985	992	1,039	1,040	1,030	1,036	1,027	1,031	1,039	1,040
Melbourne .. ..	902	953	953	1,014	1,021	1,017	1,026	1,015	1,019	1,023	1,026
Brisbane .. ..	838	875	889	927	929	923	922	919	924	926	923
Adelaide .. ..	862	895	899	963	958	951	955	948	951	958	962
Perth .. ..	887	921	941	971	989	987	994	983	989	992	994
Hobart .. ..	891	938	953	1,000	1,009	992	998	995	986	991	1,005
Six Capitals (b) ..	906	950	956	1,007	1,011	1,004	1,010	1,002	1,005	1,011	1,013

(a) See note (a) on page 66.

(b) Weighted Average.

(c) See note (c) on page 67.

**Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, and Housing (4 and 5 rooms).**  
**("B" Series.) (d)**

*(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.)*

State and Town.	1938.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1944.		1945.		
							Sept., Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney .. ..	941	985	992	1,039	1,040	1,030	1,036	1,027	1,031	1,039	1,040
Newcastle .. ..	898	950	959	1,005	1,000	987	990	984	985	992	993
Broken Hill .. ..	948	953	991	1,052	1,044	1,055	1,062	1,059	1,068	1,078	1,076
Goulburn .. ..	908	950	957	1,009	1,007	999	1,000	997	999	998	997
Bathurst .. ..	867	908	910	957	953	951	956	952	956	961	960
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	937	980	988	1,036	1,036	1,026	1,032	1,024	1,027	1,035	1,036
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne .. ..	902	953	953	1,014	1,021	1,017	1,026	1,015	1,019	1,023	1,026
Ballarat .. ..	808	843	841	894	908	907	916	907	908	912	916
Bendigo .. ..	817	864	868	920	923	923	930	921	923	925	931
Geelong .. ..	872	915	912	956	962	958	968	955	954	958	959
Warrnambool .. ..	898	944	941	984	993	995	1,006	1,003	1,000	1,003	1,011
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	895	946	946	1,005	1,012	1,009	1,017	1,007	1,010	1,014	1,017
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane .. ..	838	875	889	927	929	923	922	919	924	926	923
Toowoomba .. ..	806	849	857	913	927	945	943	945	949	953	947
Rockhampton .. ..	825	854	863	901	904	908	907	906	918	922	916
Townsville .. ..	900	925	933	974	970	975	975	975	980	983	975
Bundaberg .. ..	781	817	835	878	888	886	884	884	888	890	884
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	837	873	886	926	928	926	925	923	928	930	927
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide .. ..	862	895	899	963	958	951	955	948	951	958	962
Kadina, &c. .. ..	702	739	738	789	784	776	778	774	771	775	787
Port Pirie .. ..	838	877	889	943	932	923	927	920	923	932	937
Mount Gambier .. ..	801	828	832	879	877	884	893	892	888	896	902
Peterborough .. ..	836	895	893	936	926	922	931	925	928	935	941
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	855	888	892	955	950	944	948	941	943	950	955
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c. .. ..	887	921	941	971	989	987	994	983	989	992	994
Kalgoorlie, &c. ..	1,152	1,184	1,211	1,160	1,122	1,121	1,126	1,124	1,124	1,131	1,133
Northam .. ..	911	946	980	1,005	1,001	999	1,007	993	999	1,003	1,005
Bunbury .. ..	945	979	996	1,011	1,010	1,010	1,018	1,007	1,014	1,019	1,019
Geraldton .. ..	974	995	1,024	1,048	1,069	1,079	1,089	1,063	1,070	1,076	1,076
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	909	943	964	988	1,001	1,000	1,006	996	1,001	1,005	1,006
TASMANIA—											
Hobart .. ..	891	938	953	1,000	1,009	992	998	995	986	991	1,005
Launceston .. ..	867	901	913	948	953	936	942	938	932	938	949
Burnie .. ..	880	914	937	973	998	958	958	950	940	946	962
Devonport .. ..	846	882	898	928	942	920	926	919	909	917	931
Queenstown .. ..	900	942	947	970	1,005	1,004	1,011	1,010	1,002	1,007	1,022
FIVE TOWNS(a) ..	882	923	937	978	988	970	976	973	965	970	983
THIRTY TOWNS(a) ..	902	945	952	1,001	1,005	998	1,004	996	999	1,005	1,007
SIX CAPITALS(a) ..	906	950	956	1,011	1,011	1,004	1,010	1,002	1,005	1,011	1,013
Warwick (Q.) (c) ..	732	799	817	856	872	886	887	887	888	886	896
Port Augusta (c) ..	831	878	896	932	914	914	925	918	919	926	930
Canberra (A.C.T.) (b) (c)	1,043	1,028	1,028	1,078	1,073	1,058	1,060	1,054	1,058	1,060	1,060

(a) Weighted Average.

(b) New series from 1938. To secure comparison with "B" Series index-numbers for Canberra for periods prior to the September quarter, 1938, the new series index-numbers should be multiplied by 1.090.

(c) Not included in weighted averages above.

(d) See footnote

(a) on page 66.

## RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS—COST OF FOOD AND GROCERIES.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1914.	1944.				1945.				Per- cent- age in- crease from, July, 1914, to Sept., 1945.
	July.	Month.			Sept. Qtr.	Month.			Sept. Qtr.	
		July.	Aug.	Sept.		July.	Aug.	Sept.		
NEW SOUTH WALES—										
Sydney .. ..	645	1,038	1,038	1,029	1,035	1,044	1,044	1,038	1,042	60.9
Newcastle .. ..	682	1,054	1,051	1,044	1,050	1,057	1,057	1,052	1,055	54.3
Broken Hill .. ..	821	1,268	1,269	1,255	1,264	1,283	1,284	1,276	1,281	55.4
Goulburn .. ..	661	1,080	1,083	1,077	1,080	1,072	1,075	1,068	1,072	62.2
Bathurst .. ..	613	1,034	1,035	1,027	1,032	1,041	1,042	1,035	1,039	68.8
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	652	1,044	1,043	1,035	1,041	1,050	1,050	1,044	1,048	60.1
VICTORIA—										
Melbourne .. ..	619	1,071	1,066	1,053	1,063	1,064	1,065	1,061	1,063	71.4
Ballarat .. ..	617	1,052	1,051	1,046	1,050	1,053	1,055	1,048	1,052	69.9
Bendigo .. ..	619	1,061	1,057	1,044	1,054	1,060	1,054	1,048	1,054	69.3
Geelong .. ..	609	1,026	1,031	1,013	1,023	1,011	1,011	1,006	1,009	65.2
Warrnambool .. ..	608	1,057	1,061	1,051	1,056	1,054	1,059	1,078	1,064	77.8
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	618	1,068	1,064	1,052	1,061	1,062	1,062	1,058	1,061	71.2
QUEENSLAND—										
Brisbane .. ..	591	966	966	960	964	967	967	961	965	62.6
Toowoomba .. ..	582	1,005	1,004	994	1,001	1,011	1,008	1,002	1,007	72.2
Rockhampton .. ..	646	1,002	1,000	997	1,000	1,022	1,016	1,006	1,015	55.7
Townsville .. ..	..	1,052	1,052	1,042	1,049	1,057	1,047	1,044	1,049	..
Bundaberg .. ..	..	1,030	1,021	1,019	1,024	1,031	1,022	1,015	1,023	..
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	605	979	978	972	976	982	980	974	979	61.
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—										
Adelaide .. ..	699	1,065	1,003	990	999	1,013	1,013	1,007	1,011	44.1
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo	688	1,036	1,036	1,028	1,034	1,049	1,047	1,044	1,047	51.7
Port Pirie .. ..	722	1,073	1,073	1,056	1,067	1,087	1,084	1,079	1,083	49.4
Mount Gambier .. ..	595	1,011	1,011	1,011	1,011	1,032	1,025	1,020	1,026	71.4
Peterborough .. ..	749	1,055	1,051	1,038	1,048	1,066	1,066	1,060	1,064	41.5
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	697	1,009	1,007	994	1,003	1,018	1,017	1,011	1,015	45.1
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—										
Perth and Fremantle ..	749	1,069	1,071	1,061	1,067	1,069	1,069	1,062	1,067	41.8
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	931	1,187	1,192	1,184	1,188	1,203	1,201	1,193	1,199	28.1
Northam .. ..	..	1,085	1,084	1,072	1,080	1,080	1,079	1,071	1,077	..
Bunbury .. ..	793	1,053	1,051	1,045	1,049	1,057	1,051	1,046	1,051	31.9
Geraldton .. ..	808	1,117	1,114	1,105	1,112	1,094	1,091	1,086	1,090	34.4
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	790	1,079	1,081	1,071	1,077	1,079	1,078	1,072	1,076	35.7
TASMANIA—										
Hobart .. ..	678	1,032	1,052	1,047	1,044	1,048	1,048	1,067	1,054	57.4
Launceston .. ..	640	989	1,003	998	997	1,004	1,005	1,017	1,009	58.9
Burnie .. ..	..	1,025	1,042	1,028	1,032	1,028	1,026	1,051	1,035	..
Devonport .. ..	..	1,019	1,041	1,027	1,029	1,032	1,030	1,054	1,039	..
Queenstown .. ..	735	1,138	1,155	1,152	1,148	1,159	1,158	1,178	1,165	60.3
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	672	1,022	1,040	1,034	1,032	1,037	1,037	1,054	1,043	56.8
THIRTY TOWNS (a) ..	651	1,043	1,041	1,032	1,039	1,044	1,045	1,040	1,043	59.8
SIX CAPITALS (a) ..	645	1,040	1,039	1,029	1,036	1,042	1,042	1,037	1,040	60.8
(b) Lithgow (N) .. ..	..	1,076	1,076	1,070	1,074	1,066	1,064	1,058	1,063	..
(b) Yallourn (V) .. ..	..	1,063	1,075	1,068	1,069	1,056	1,056	1,050	1,054	..
(b) Warwick (Q.) .. ..	605	989	984	985	986	1,001	1,000	995	999	64.5
(b) Port Augusta (S.A.) ..	..	1,069	1,066	1,058	1,064	1,073	1,071	1,069	1,071	..
(b) Rosebery (T.) .. ..	..	1,140	1,136	1,136	1,137	1,133	1,135	1,154	1,141	..
(b) Canberra (A.C.T.) ..	..	1,114	1,112	1,108	1,111	1,114	1,112	1,106	1,111	..

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Not included in weighted averages above.



## THE ALL ITEMS INDEX.

("C" Series.)

Retail Price Index-Numbers—Cost of Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 rooms), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.(a)

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1938.	1940.	1941.	1942.	1943.	1944.	1944.		1945.		
							Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	March Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>											
Sydney .. ..	913	974	1,028	1,107	1,151	1,144	1,146	1,142	1,138	1,141	1,142
Newcastle .. ..	877	945	997	1,069	1,109	1,094	1,093	1,095	1,093	1,099	1,103
Broken Hill .. ..	940	981	1,049	1,132	1,172	1,179	1,184	1,184	1,184	1,193	1,194
Goulburn .. ..	893	949	1,005	1,087	1,125	1,118	1,117	1,116	1,110	1,111	1,112
Bathurst .. ..	860	923	974	1,050	1,091	1,088	1,090	1,089	1,086	1,089	1,090
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b)</b> ..	911	972	1,026	1,104	1,147	1,140	1,142	1,138	1,135	1,138	1,139
<b>VICTORIA—</b>											
Melbourne .. ..	896	964	1,008	1,100	1,139	1,135	1,140	1,138	1,132	1,134	1,135
Ballarat .. ..	850	906	950	1,037	1,084	1,083	1,087	1,087	1,086	1,086	1,085
Bendigo .. ..	854	920	963	1,054	1,096	1,101	1,104	1,102	1,099	1,098	1,099
Geelong .. ..	884	941	984	1,065	1,110	1,112	1,118	1,116	1,114	1,112	1,114
Warrnambool .. ..	892	954	998	1,078	1,126	1,129	1,138	1,140	1,135	1,135	1,139
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b)</b> ..	893	960	1,004	1,095	1,135	1,131	1,136	1,134	1,129	1,131	1,132
<b>QUEENSLAND—</b>											
Brisbane .. ..	852	908	963	1,033	1,072	1,071	1,071	1,069	1,071	1,072	1,069
Toowoomba .. ..	843	898	951	1,033	1,080	1,085	1,084	1,084	1,086	1,088	1,085
Rockhampton .. ..	853	905	959	1,032	1,073	1,074	1,074	1,071	1,077	1,083	1,077
Townsville .. ..	902	950	1,004	1,075	1,114	1,117	1,117	1,116	1,117	1,115	1,109
Bundaberg .. ..	831	879	938	1,015	1,057	1,057	1,057	1,056	1,056	1,053	1,049
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b)</b> ..	854	909	964	1,035	1,075	1,075	1,075	1,073	1,075	1,076	1,073
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>											
Adelaide .. ..	888	936	988	1,075	1,102	1,098	1,101	1,098	1,098	1,100	1,103
Kadina, &c. .. ..	786	833	882	962	998	995	995	996	993	996	1,003
Port Pirie .. ..	868	919	976	1,057	1,087	1,081	1,084	1,080	1,080	1,084	1,086
Mount Gambier .. ..	849	894	946	1,024	1,061	1,064	1,071	1,070	1,067	1,063	1,073
Peterborough .. ..	868	924	974	1,053	1,087	1,087	1,095	1,089	1,089	1,090	1,096
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b)</b> ..	883	931	983	1,069	1,097	1,093	1,096	1,093	1,094	1,096	1,099
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>											
Perth, &c. .. ..	882	932	993	1,061	1,104	1,105	1,110	1,104	1,104	1,108	1,108
Kalgoorlie, &c. .. ..	1,048	1,099	1,165	1,175	1,192	1,199	1,204	1,203	1,197	1,204	1,204
Northam .. ..	900	947	1,017	1,079	1,111	1,113	1,118	1,110	1,111	1,115	1,114
Bunbury .. ..	914	962	1,018	1,065	1,102	1,110	1,118	1,110	1,111	1,117	1,116
Geraldton .. ..	957	990	1,055	1,114	1,165	1,176	1,184	1,168	1,167	1,171	1,172
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b)</b> ..	897	946	1,008	1,070	1,112	1,113	1,118	1,112	1,113	1,117	1,117
<b>TASMANIA—</b>											
Hobart .. ..	887	945	1,001	1,078	1,117	1,105	1,110	1,106	1,101	1,099	1,107
Launceston .. ..	872	926	974	1,040	1,078	1,067	1,072	1,067	1,064	1,067	1,073
Burnie .. ..	865	917	971	1,035	1,088	1,065	1,069	1,059	1,053	1,055	1,065
Devonport .. ..	848	896	951	1,012	1,058	1,040	1,045	1,042	1,037	1,038	1,045
Queenstown .. ..	875	936	987	1,045	1,096	1,102	1,110	1,108	1,104	1,106	1,112
<b>FIVE TOWNS(b)</b> ..	879	936	989	1,060	1,101	1,089	1,094	1,089	1,085	1,085	1,092
<b>THIRTY TOWNS(b)</b> ..	894	954	1,006	1,087	1,127	1,122	1,125	1,122	1,120	1,122	1,123
<b>SIX CAPITALS(b)</b> ..	897	957	1,008	1,091	1,131	1,126	1,129	1,126	1,123	1,125	1,126
Warwick (Q.)(c) ..	800	867	926	1,007	1,055	1,061	1,063	1,061	1,061	1,059	1,066
Port Augusta (S.A.)(c) ..	863	915	980	1,052	1,076	1,076	1,085	1,080	1,080	1,082	1,086
Canberra (A.C.T.)(c) ..	..	988	1,040	1,121	1,168	1,153	1,152	1,149	1,144	1,149	1,148

(a) Owing to the revisions resulting from the 1936 conference of Statisticians, certain slight breaks of continuity appear after the June, 1936, quarter in the group index-numbers for Rent for certain towns. The revision of the whole system has been so arranged, however, that this break does not extend to the group index-numbers for the Six Capital Cities, or to the index-numbers for all groups combined for individual towns. (b) Weighted Average.

(c) Not included in weighted averages above.

## RETAIL PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES.

The All Items ("C" Series) Index and its Sectional or "Group" Index-Numbers for the Six Capital Cities combined, 1914 to 1945.

(Base of Each Section: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Food and Groceries.	Rent (4 and 5 Rooms). (c)	Food, Groceries and Rent (4 and 5 Rooms) "B" Series).	Clothing.	Miscell- aneous.	All Items ("C" Series).
Year—						
1914 (b) .. ..	641	649	644	754	749	687
1915 (b) .. ..	842	659	777	792	786	782
1916 (b) .. ..	812	665	760	881	802	795
1917 (b) .. ..	836	685	782	992	882	847
1918 (b) .. ..	861	722	812	1,097	972	905
1919 (b) .. ..	1,026	768	934	1,238	1,036	1,022
1920 (b) .. ..	1,209	851	1,082	1,365	1,194	1,166
1921 (b) .. ..	950	877	924	1,246	1,010	1,013
1922 (b) .. ..	945	929	939	1,052	999	975
1923 .. ..	1,009	950	988	1,045	999	1,003
1924 .. ..	969	988	975	1,003	1,004	987
1925 .. ..	998	1,008	1,002	991	992	997
1926 .. ..	1,023	1,026	1,024	986	998	1,011
1927 .. ..	1,000	1,030	1,011	975	1,008	1,002
1928 .. ..	985	1,066	1,014	997	1,010	1,009
1929 .. ..	1,044	1,073	1,054	996	1,007	1,033
1930 .. ..	941	1,047	978	951	999	975
1931 .. ..	826	901	852	853	973	873
1932 .. ..	796	817	803	804	958	830
1933 .. ..	751	804	768	787	950	804
1934 .. ..	783	810	792	785	944	817
1935 .. ..	806	839	818	783	946	832
1936 .. ..	825	879	844	792	947	850
1937 .. ..	851	912	872	811	960	873
1938 .. ..	886	942	906	829	961	897
1939 .. ..	927	965	939	841	962	920
1940 .. ..	939	973	950	956	998	957
1941 .. ..	947	976	956	1,118	1,060	1,008
1942 .. ..	1,031	976	1,007	1,308	1,112	1,091
1943 .. ..	1,037	975	1,011	1,440	1,160	1,131
1944 .. ..	1,026	976	1,004	1,435	1,165	1,126
Quarter—						
1939—September ..	920	967	936	836	961	916
1943—March .. ..	1,040	975	1,012	1,409	1,149	1,123
June .. ..	1,058	975	1,023	1,466	1,158	1,143
September .. ..	1,036	975	1,010	1,450	1,165	1,133
December .. ..	1,015	975	997	1,436	1,168	1,123
1944—March .. ..	1,020	976	1,000	1,434	1,166	1,124
June .. ..	1,026	976	1,004	1,429	1,165	1,125
September .. ..	1,036	975	1,010	1,433	1,164	1,129
December .. ..	1,022	975	1,002	1,442	1,163	1,126
1945—March .. ..	1,028	975	1,005	1,421	1,161	1,123
June .. ..	1,037	975	1,011	1,416	1,161	1,125
September .. ..	1,040	975	1,013	1,415	1,161	1,126

(a) The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in each group or combination in 1923-27 is made equal to 1,000. (b) November. (c) Rent.—The rent index-numbers shown in the above and other tables in this bulletin measure the proportionate rise and fall in the average weekly rentals paid for houses of four and five rooms taking corresponding houses throughout. They are "price" indexes in the strict sense, i.e., they are designed to measure only the "price" element in rent fluctuations. Similarly, "average rents" shown in the ensuing pages are indexes of "price" changes in rentals expressed in terms of pence. They are not the average of rents actually paid by all tenants of 4 and 5-roomed houses. It would be inappropriate to include the average of rents actually paid in an index designed to measure price changes only. The average of rents actually paid is ascertained periodically by Census methods, and a sample Census is now in process of collection for index towns in order to provide fuller information as to rentals (see also page 2 of Labour Report, No. 33).

**NEW SOUTH WALES—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED  
FOR THE YEAR 1945 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1945.**

Article.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			'GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.84	5.84	5.84	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.95	4.95	4.95	5.29	5.29	5.29	5.14	5.14	5.14	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.20	5.40	5.40
" self-raising ..	"	8.25	8.25	8.25	8.57	8.57	8.57	9.07	9.07	9.14	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.90
Tea ..	lb.	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.79	27.79	27.79	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.60
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.29	4.29	4.29	4.90	4.90	4.90	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.25	4.25	4.25
Rice (Australian)(a) ..	"	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.64	4.64	4.64	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago (a) ..	"	6.63	6.63	6.63	7.13	7.13	7.13	8.80	8.80	8.80	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.25	7.25	7.25
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	13.80	13.80	13.80	15.21	15.21	15.21	14.00	14.00	14.00	15.30	15.30	15.30	15.20	15.20	15.20
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	6.90	6.90	6.90	7.93	7.93	7.93	9.64	9.64	9.64	8.30	8.30	8.40	8.00	8.00	8.00
Oats, flaked (a) ..	lb.	3.75	3.75	3.75	4.08	4.08	4.08	4.45	4.45	5.38	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.00	4.00	4.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	13.29	13.29	13.23	13.42	13.42	13.42	13.29	13.29	13.29	14.29	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.33	13.33
Currants ..	"	10.78	10.80	10.75	11.10	11.10	11.00	11.50	11.43	11.43	11.10	11.10	11.10	10.60	10.75	10.75
Apricots, dried (a) ..	"	16.50	16.50	16.50	17.75	17.75	17.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	15.50	15.50	15.50	16.50	16.50	16.50
Peaches, canned (a) ..	30 oz.	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.83	13.86	14.00	16.10	16.17	16.17	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.00	14.00	14.00
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.83	14.86	15.07	16.10	16.30	16.17	15.17	15.17	15.17	15.00	15.00	15.00
Salmon, in tins (a) ..	lb.	22.33	22.33	22.33	22.50	22.50	22.50	20.83	20.83	20.83	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.65	8.65	8.83	11.66	11.66	11.66	8.68	8.68	8.58	8.70	8.70	8.70
Onions, brown ..	lb.	3.44	3.44	3.57	3.29	3.29	3.50	3.43	3.43	3.43	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.60	3.60	3.60
Soap ..	"	6.86	6.86	6.86	7.27	7.27	7.27	7.74	7.78	7.78	7.60	7.54	7.60	7.49	7.49	7.43
Kerosene ..	quart	5.94	5.94	5.86	6.40	6.40	6.40	7.63	7.63	7.56	7.18	7.18	7.18	6.73	6.73	6.65
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.05	20.05	20.05	20.57	20.57	20.57	22.64	22.64	22.64	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.80	20.80	20.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.69	17.69	17.69	17.50	17.50	17.50	18.71	18.57	18.57	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.40	18.40	18.40
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.25	28.30	22.55	28.29	28.29	23.07	31.14	31.14	22.57	28.00	28.00	22.00	28.60	28.60	22.50
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	22.00	22.05	22.05	22.00	22.00	22.00	24.00	24.00	23.93	22.30	22.30	22.30	22.50	22.50	22.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.80	9.80	9.80	10.21	10.21	10.21	10.64	10.64	10.64	10.40	10.40	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
" fresh ..	quart	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00	7.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.50	7.50	7.50
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.90	12.90	12.90	12.93	12.93	12.93	16.79	16.71	16.71	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.20	12.20	12.20
" rib ..	"	8.10	8.15	8.10	8.29	8.29	8.29	15.14	15.36	15.36	9.00	10.00	10.00	8.60	8.60	8.60
" steak, rump ..	"	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.29	20.29	20.29	24.50	24.57	24.57	20.40	20.80	20.80	18.00	18.00	18.00
" chuck ..	"	9.00	9.00	8.95	9.14	9.14	9.14	16.14	16.07	16.07	9.20	9.20	9.20	8.80	8.80	8.80
" sausages ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.83	8.83	8.83	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.80	8.80
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.64	10.64	10.64	16.21	16.29	16.29	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.20	10.20	10.00
" brisket ..	"	7.95	7.95	7.95	8.14	8.14	8.14	14.21	14.29	14.29	8.60	8.60	8.60	8.00	8.00	8.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	8.90	8.90	8.90	9.36	9.36	9.36	12.00	12.00	12.00	9.10	9.10	9.10	9.00	9.00	9.00
" forequarter ..	"	5.85	5.85	5.85	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.07	8.07	8.07	6.10	6.10	6.10	5.60	5.60	5.60
" loin ..	"	11.05	11.05	11.05	10.71	10.71	10.57	8.71	8.64	8.64	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.60	9.60	9.60
" chops, loin ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.57	11.57	11.57	13.50	13.50	13.50	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.00	10.00	10.00
" leg ..	"	11.95	11.95	11.95	11.14	11.14	11.14	14.43	14.43	14.43	10.20	9.80	9.80	9.60	9.60	9.60
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	16.60	16.60	16.60	17.86	17.86	17.86	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.60	15.60	15.60	15.00	15.00	15.00
" loin (a) ..	"	17.55	17.55	17.55	18.07	18.07	18.07	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.80	15.80	15.80	15.00	15.00	15.00
" chops (a) ..	"	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.07	18.07	18.07	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.20	16.20	16.20	15.00	15.00	15.00
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	281.14	..	..	243.51	..	..	191.75	..	..	222.97	..	..	212.11	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.  
footnote (c), page 67.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also



**VICTORIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED  
FOR THE YEAR 1945 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1945.**

Article.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRENAMBOOL.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.55	5.55	5.55	5.86	5.86	5.86	5.82	5.82	5.82	5.75	5.75	5.75	6.25	6.25	6.25
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.86	4.86	4.86	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.60	4.60	4.60
" self-raising ..	"	7.40	7.40	7.40	8.21	8.21	8.21	8.07	8.07	8.07	7.80	7.80	7.80	8.10	8.10	8.10
Tea ..	lb.	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.28	4.28	4.28	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25
Rice (Australian)(a)	"	3.60	3.60	3.60	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.80	3.80	3.80
Sago (a) ..	"	6.88	6.88	6.88	7.17	7.17	7.17	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.75	6.75	6.75
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	11.25	11.25	11.25	11.71	11.71	11.71	12.07	12.07	12.07	11.70	11.70	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.90
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	7.30	7.30	7.30	7.57	7.64	7.64	7.43	7.56	7.56	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.70
Oats, flaked (a) ..	lb.	3.80	3.80	3.80	4.13	4.13	4.13	3.88	3.88	3.88	3.81	3.81	3.81	4.00	4.00	4.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	13.11	13.11	13.11	12.90	12.90	12.90	13.30	13.30	13.30	12.60	12.60	12.40	13.20	13.20	13.20
Currants ..	"	10.60	10.60	10.60	10.36	10.43	10.43	10.50	10.57	10.57	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.70	10.70	10.70
Apricots, dried (a)	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	13.06	13.06	13.06	13.40	13.50	13.50	13.25	13.25	13.25	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.33	13.50	13.50
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.20	14.50	14.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.88	13.88	13.90	14.33	14.33	14.33
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	21.25	20.67	20.67	20.67	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.38	21.38	21.38
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.37	8.37	8.24	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.63	2.63	2.63	2.79	2.79	2.79	2.64	2.64	2.64	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50
Soap ..	"	7.11	7.11	7.11	7.20	7.20	7.20	7.54	7.54	7.49	7.13	7.13	7.13	7.68	7.68	7.68
Kerosene ..	quart	6.38	6.38	6.38	6.68	6.68	6.68	6.67	6.67	6.67	6.23	6.23	6.23	7.10	7.10	7.10
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.43	20.43	20.43	20.86	20.86	20.86	20.30	20.30	20.30	20.80	20.80	20.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	16.28	16.28	16.28	15.79	15.79	15.79	16.79	16.79	16.64	15.38	15.38	15.63	16.30	16.30	16.30
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	22.72	22.72	22.72	23.21	23.21	23.21	22.50	22.50	22.43	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.70	22.70	22.70
Milk, condensed ..	tin	10.25	10.30	10.30	10.36	10.36	10.36	10.93	10.93	10.93	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.50	10.50	10.50
" fresh ..	quart	7.45	7.45	7.45	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.10	7.10	7.10	7.13	7.13	7.13
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	13.90	13.90	14.00	13.07	13.14	13.14	12.86	12.71	12.64	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.60	12.60	13.60
" rib ..	"	11.70	11.70	11.80	10.71	10.71	10.71	9.93	9.86	9.86	8.80	8.80	8.80	9.50	9.70	10.40
" steak, rump ..	"	21.20	21.10	21.10	20.14	20.14	20.14	18.29	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.80	17.80	18.60
" chuck ..	"	10.05	10.05	10.15	9.43	9.50	9.50	9.57	9.71	9.64	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.60	9.60	10.00
" sausages ..	"	8.30	8.50	8.50	7.71	8.00	8.00	7.57	7.71	7.71	7.00	7.60	7.60	8.40	8.40	8.60
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	12.60	12.60	12.70	11.71	11.71	11.71	11.29	11.14	11.14	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.90	11.10	12.20
" " brisket ..	"	9.35	9.35	9.45	8.64	8.64	8.64	9.07	9.07	9.00	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.80	8.90	9.40
Mutton, leg ..	"	11.61	11.60	11.70	11.50	11.57	11.57	11.64	11.29	11.29	11.00	10.80	11.00	11.30	11.40	12.20
" forequarter ..	"	6.95	7.00	7.00	6.57	6.57	6.57	6.86	6.93	6.93	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.90	7.30	8.40
" loin ..	"	9.60	9.80	9.90	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.64	9.43	9.43	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.40	10.00	10.60
" chops, loin ..	"	10.70	10.80	10.90	10.29	10.29	10.29	11.07	10.57	10.71	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.60	10.80	11.80
" " leg ..	"	12.13	11.95	11.95	12.50	12.57	12.57	11.64	11.36	11.57	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.60	11.80	12.20
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	15.95	15.95	15.95	15.43	15.43	15.43	15.75	15.75	15.75	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.80	14.80	14.80
" loin (a) ..	"	16.80	16.80	16.80	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.40	15.40	15.40	14.80	14.80	14.80
" chops (a) ..	"	17.65	17.65	17.65	17.43	17.43	17.43	17.25	17.25	17.25	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.80	15.80	15.80
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	262.42	..	..	178.57	..	..	187.14	..	..	239.18	..	..	234.94	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies. (b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also footnote (c), page 67.

RETAIL PRICES.



QUEENSLAND—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1945; ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1945.

Article.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	5.75	5.75	5.75
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.09	4.09	4.09	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.36	5.36	5.36	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.50	4.50	4.50
" self-raising ..	"	8.64	8.64	8.64	9.36	9.36	9.36	9.86	9.86	9.86	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.60	9.60	9.60
Tea ..	lb.	27.05	27.05	27.05	27.50	27.50	27.57	28.14	28.07	28.07	27.70	27.70	27.70	28.00	28.00	28.00
Sugar ..	"	3.94	3.94	3.94	4.23	4.23	4.20	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.65	4.65	4.65	3.97	3.97	3.97
Rice (Australian)(a)	"	3.57	3.57	3.57	3.83	3.83	3.83	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.20	4.20	4.20	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago (a) ..	"	6.63	6.63	6.63	7.25	7.25	7.25	6.75	6.75	6.75	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	12.59	12.84	12.84	12.98	12.70	12.52	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.20	14.20	14.20	13.30	13.30	13.40
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	6.91	6.91	6.91	7.71	7.71	7.86	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.10	8.10	8.10	7.60	7.60	7.60
Oats, flaked (a) ..	lb.	4.06	4.06	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.50	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.25	4.25	4.25	4.13	4.13	4.13
Raisins, seeded ..	"	12.91	12.91	12.91	13.64	13.64	13.64	13.93	13.93	13.93	13.93	13.93	13.93	13.20	13.25	13.30
Currants ..	"	11.35	11.35	11.35	11.29	11.29	11.29	11.58	11.58	11.58	11.40	11.40	11.40	11.60	11.60	11.60
Apricots, dried (a)	"	17.25	17.25	17.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	15.09	15.09	15.09	15.86	15.86	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.75	15.88	15.88	15.88	15.75	15.75	15.75
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	15.29	15.29	15.29	17.00	17.00	16.88	16.33	16.33	16.17	16.00	16.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	21.33	21.33	21.33	24.63	24.63	24.63	20.50	20.50	20.50	24.00	24.00	24.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.37	8.36	8.36	8.87	8.87	8.79	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.63	10.00	9.13	8.80	8.80	8.80
Onions, brown ..	lb.	2.96	2.96	2.96	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.38	3.38	3.38	3.00	3.00	3.00
Soap ..	"	6.94	6.94	6.97	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.38	7.38	7.38	7.26	7.26	7.26	6.93	6.93	6.93
Kerosene ..	quart	5.38	5.38	5.38	6.14	6.14	6.16	6.80	6.80	6.80	6.64	6.64	6.64	5.98	5.98	6.05
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	19.82	19.82	19.82	19.93	19.93	19.86	20.21	20.21	20.14	21.60	21.60	21.60	19.80	19.80	19.80
Cheese, mild ..	"	15.09	15.09	15.09	15.21	15.21	15.21	15.79	15.79	15.71	16.90	16.40	16.50	15.40	15.40	15.40
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	27.91	27.91	22.00	27.86	26.86	21.43	26.57	21.57	13.29	30.00	24.67	22.00	25.40	21.60	15.60
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.07	22.07	22.07	22.43	22.43	22.43	22.10	22.10	22.10	22.10	22.10	22.10
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.82	9.82	9.82	9.86	9.86	10.00	10.71	10.71	10.71	10.30	10.30	10.30	10.10	10.10	10.10
" fresh ..	quart	7.10	7.10	7.10	7.57	7.57	7.57	6.86	6.86	6.86	9.20	9.00	9.20	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.07	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
" rib (a) ..	"	6.33	6.22	6.22	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.00	7.10	7.10	7.20	7.20	7.20
" steak, rump ..	"	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.07	17.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
" chuck ..	"	7.35	7.45	7.45	7.50	7.50	7.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	9.30	9.30	9.30
" sausages ..	"	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.07	8.00	8.00	8.86	8.86	8.86	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Beef (corned) silver-side	"	10.15	10.10	10.10	11.07	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.40	11.40	11.80
" brisket ..	"	7.65	7.60	7.60	8.07	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	9.40	9.40	9.40
Mutton, leg ..	"	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.29	9.21	9.14	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.50	10.00	10.00
" forequarter ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	7.00	7.00
" loin ..	"	7.78	7.78	7.78	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.14	8.14	8.14	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.20	9.20
" chops, loin ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.29	9.21	9.14	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
" leg ..	"	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.29	9.21	9.14	8.30	8.30	8.30	10.50	10.00	10.00
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	16.07	16.07	16.07	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.86	15.86	15.86	15.67	15.67	15.50	15.80	15.80	15.80
" loin (a) ..	"	15.86	15.86	15.86	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.86	15.86	15.86	13.00	13.00	13.00	15.80	15.80	15.80
" chops (a) ..	"	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.86	15.86	15.86	13.00	13.00	13.00	16.80	16.80	16.80
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	232.77	..	..	216.40	..	..	207.08	..	..	217.71	..	..	169.51	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.  
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(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1945 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1945.**

Article.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA.			PORT PIREE.			MOUNT GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.75	5.75	5.75	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.55	4.55	4.55	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.07	5.07	5.07	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	7.15	7.15	7.15	8.64	8.64	8.64	8.86	8.86	8.86	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.63	8.63	8.63
Tea ..	lb.	27.10	27.10	27.10	27.89	27.89	27.89	27.14	27.14	27.14	27.20	27.20	27.20	28.00	28.00	28.00
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.12	4.12	4.12	4.19	4.19	4.19	4.33	4.33	4.33	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian)(a)	"	3.50	3.50	3.50	4.10	4.10	4.10	4.63	4.63	4.63	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.25	4.25	4.25
Sago (a) ..	"	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.75	6.75	6.75	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.50	7.50	7.50
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	13.15	13.15	13.15	13.79	13.79	13.79	13.96	13.86	13.86	13.60	13.60	13.60	13.63	13.63	13.63
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	6.95	6.95	6.95	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.86	8.86	8.86	8.30	8.30	8.30	8.63	8.63	8.63
Oats, flaked (a) ..	lb.	3.78	3.78	3.78	3.95	3.95	3.95	4.20	4.20	4.20	3.75	3.75	3.75	4.00	4.00	4.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	11.65	11.65	11.65	12.79	12.50	12.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	12.80	12.80	12.80	13.00	13.00	13.00
Currants ..	"	9.90	9.90	9.90	10.64	10.64	10.64	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.70	10.70	10.70	11.13	11.13	11.13
Apricots, dried (a)	"	17.38	17.38	17.38	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.67	16.67	16.67	17.67	17.67	17.67	18.00	18.00	18.00
Peaches, canned (a)	30 oz.	13.83	13.83	13.83	14.90	14.67	14.67	15.60	15.75	15.80	14.00	14.25	14.25	15.33	15.33	15.33
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	13.83	13.83	13.83	14.90	14.60	14.60	15.60	15.75	15.60	14.67	14.75	14.75	15.50	15.50	15.33
Salmon, in tins (a)	lb.	20.80	20.80	20.80	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.00	19.00	19.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.43	8.43	8.43	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.57	10.43	10.36	8.86	8.86	8.66	10.38	10.38	10.38
Onions, brown (a)	lb.	2.85	2.85	2.85	2.75	2.75	2.83	2.92	2.75	3.00	2.50	2.50	2.50	3.00	3.00	3.00
Soap ..	"	7.36	7.36	7.36	7.76	7.76	7.76	7.38	7.38	7.38	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.75	7.75	7.75
Kerosene ..	quart	5.31	5.31	5.31	5.98	5.98	5.98	6.30	6.30	6.30	5.95	5.95	5.95	6.16	6.16	6.16
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.57	21.57	21.57	20.86	20.86	20.86	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.63	20.63	20.63
Cheese, mild ..	"	14.78	14.78	14.78	16.36	16.29	16.29	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.50	16.50	16.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.40	28.40	22.40	23.20	23.00	17.60	26.50	24.00	18.00	22.60	20.00	14.60	23.25	23.25	18.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	19.90	19.90	19.90	20.57	20.57	20.57	20.42	20.42	20.42	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.50	20.50	20.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.30	9.30	9.30	10.29	10.29	10.29	10.36	10.36	10.36	10.40	10.40	10.40	9.88	9.88	9.88
" fresh ..	quart	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.86	6.86	6.86	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.80	6.80	6.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.79	11.79	11.79	10.57	10.57	10.57	12.70	12.70	12.70	11.50	11.50	11.50
" rib ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.93	10.86	10.86	10.21	10.36	10.43	10.90	10.50	10.50	9.50	9.50	9.50
" steak, rump ..	"	16.90	16.90	16.90	15.93	15.86	15.86	17.79	17.79	17.79	16.20	16.20	16.40	17.33	17.33	17.33
" chuck ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.71	10.71	10.71	12.14	12.14	12.14	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.33	10.33	10.33
" sausages ..	"	7.11	7.11	7.11	7.57	7.71	7.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.80	6.80	6.80	7.00	7.00	7.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.36	12.29	12.29	12.43	12.43	12.43	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50
" brisket ..	"	8.95	8.95	8.95	10.14	10.07	10.21	10.43	10.43	10.43	8.90	8.90	9.10	9.50	9.50	9.50
Mutton, leg ..	"	11.85	11.85	11.85	10.43	10.43	10.57	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.20	11.00	11.00	11.50	11.50	11.50
" forequarter ..	"	5.95	5.95	5.95	7.14	7.07	7.21	7.36	7.36	7.36	5.90	5.90	5.90	5.83	5.83	5.83
" loin ..	"	9.05	9.05	9.05	9.43	9.57	9.57	9.07	8.93	8.93	8.80	8.70	8.90	10.17	10.17	10.17
" chops, loin ..	"	9.90	9.90	9.90	10.29	10.29	10.43	11.29	11.36	11.36	10.10	9.90	9.90	10.67	10.67	10.67
" leg ..	"	12.35	12.35	12.35	10.71	10.71	10.71	12.57	12.57	12.57	11.20	11.00	11.10	11.83	11.83	11.83
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.14	13.14	13.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.33	13.33	13.33
" loin (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	14.30	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.57	12.57	12.57	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
" chops (a) ..	"	14.90	14.90	14.90	12.57	12.57	12.57	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.33	13.33	13.33
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	240.49	..	..	97.21	..	..	179.48	..	..	179.81	..	..	189.95	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.  
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(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1945 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1945.

Article.	Unit.	PERTH.			KALGOORLIE.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	4.25	4.25	4.00	4.75	4.75	4.75	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	7.95	7.95	7.95	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00
Tea ..	lb.	27.00	27.00	27.00	28.86	28.86	28.86	27.63	27.63	27.63	27.25	27.25	27.25	28.00	28.00	28.00
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.23	4.23	4.23	4.50	4.50	4.50
Rice (Australian)(a) ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.17	5.17	5.17	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50
Sago (a) ..	"	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.50	12.50	12.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	12.00	12.00	12.00
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	7.95	7.95	7.95	10.50	10.50	10.50	8.88	8.88	8.88	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	4.50	4.50	4.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	12.80	12.80	12.80	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.13	13.13	13.13	13.17	13.17	13.17	13.50	13.50	13.50
Currants ..	"	10.35	10.35	10.35	11.50	11.50	11.50	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.88	10.88	11.00	11.00	11.00
Apricots, dried (a) ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.06	19.06	19.06	18.00	18.00	18.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	14.00	14.00	14.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	14.50	14.50	14.50	17.50	17.50	17.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50
Salmon, in tins (a) ..	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	24.67	24.67	24.67	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	23.00	23.00	23.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.43	8.43	8.43	10.21	10.21	10.21	9.13	9.13	9.00	8.85	8.85	8.85	9.20	9.20	9.20
Onions, brown ..	lb.	3.00	3.00	2.95	3.36	3.36	3.36	3.50	3.50	3.38	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50
Soap ..	"	7.33	7.33	7.33	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.42	7.67	7.67	7.67
Kerosene ..	quart	6.24	6.24	6.24	8.13	8.13	8.13	6.88	6.88	6.88	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	21.00	21.00	21.00	22.93	22.93	22.93	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.50	21.50	21.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.43	18.43	18.43	17.63	17.63	17.63	17.33	17.33	17.33	17.50	17.50	17.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.00	28.00	22.00	32.14	29.14	22.14	24.00	23.25	16.50	22.25	22.25	16.75	25.60	23.00	18.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	20.50	20.50	20.50	21.50	21.57	21.57	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.75	20.75	20.75	21.00	21.00	21.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	9.90	9.90	9.90	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50
" fresh ..	quart	8.00	8.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	13.00	13.00	13.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00
" rib ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" steak, rump ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00
" chuck ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" sausages ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.14	10.14	10.00	8.75	8.75	8.75	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" brisket ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" forequarter ..	"	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
" loin ..	"	10.60	10.60	10.60	11.57	11.57	11.57	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.80	10.80	10.80	10.67	10.67	10.67
" chops, loin ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.14	12.14	12.14	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
" leg ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.14	12.14	12.14	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.80	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
Pork, leg (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	14.30	15.00	15.00	15.00	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.20	12.20	12.20	14.00	14.00	14.00
" loin (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	14.30	14.71	14.71	14.71	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
" chops (a) ..	"	14.30	14.30	14.30	15.57	15.57	15.57	12.75	12.75	12.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	14.33	14.33	14.33
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	238.81	..	..	260.69	..	..	226.21	..	..	245.27	..	..	266.89	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.  
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**TASMANIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES RULING IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED  
FOR THE YEAR 1945 : ALSO THE WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY HOUSE RENTS—QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1945.**

Article.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.90	5.90	5.90	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.36	4.36	4.36	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.60	4.60	4.60	5.00	5.00	5.00
" self-raising ..	"	7.40	7.40	7.40	7.29	7.29	7.29	7.70	7.70	7.70	7.60	7.60	7.60	7.75	7.75	7.75
Tea ..	lb.	27.05	27.05	27.05	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.00	27.10	27.10	27.10	27.38	27.38	27.38
Sugar ..	"	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.05	4.05	4.05	4.25	4.25	4.25
Rice (Australian) (a) ..	"	3.86	3.86	3.86	3.80	3.80	3.80	4.17	4.17	4.17	3.83	3.83	3.83	4.17	4.17	4.17
Sago (a) ..	"	7.63	7.63	7.63	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.67	7.67	7.67
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.60	9.60	9.60	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.63	10.63	10.63
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.71	7.79	7.79	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Oats, flaked (a) ..	lb.	3.78	3.75	3.78	3.71	3.67	3.75	3.80	3.63	3.80	3.80	3.75	3.83	4.00	4.00	4.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	12.90	12.90	12.90	12.86	12.86	12.86	12.80	12.80	12.80	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.50	13.50	13.50
Currants ..	"	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.71	10.71	10.71	10.80	10.80	10.80	10.90	10.90	10.90	11.25	11.25	11.13
Apricots, dried (a) ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.25	16.25	16.25	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.25	18.25	18.25
Peaches, canned (a) ..	30 oz.	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.33	13.33	13.40	13.50	13.50	13.50	14.50	14.38	14.38
Pears, canned (a) ..	"	13.42	13.42	13.42	13.50	13.50	13.50	13.38	13.50	13.50	13.75	13.50	13.50	14.38	14.33	14.33
Salmon, in tins (a) ..	lb.	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	22.50	22.50	22.50	22.17	22.17	22.17	19.83	19.83	19.83
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	8.40	11.07	10.91	10.91
Onions, brown ..	lb.	3.22	3.22	3.22	3.07	3.14	3.14	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.10	3.10	3.10	3.38	3.38	3.38
Soap ..	"	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.67	7.67	7.67
Kerosene ..	quart	7.02	7.02	7.02	6.82	6.82	6.90	6.85	6.85	6.85	6.93	6.90	6.90	7.46	7.46	7.46
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.13	20.13	20.13
Cheese, mild (a) ..	"	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.50	16.50	16.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	28.00	28.00	22.00	27.80	27.83	22.00	26.40	25.40	22.00	24.80	21.60	22.00	29.63	29.63	23.80
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.71	20.86	20.71	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.38	21.38	21.38
Milk, condensed ..	tin	10.40	10.40	10.40	10.29	10.29	10.29	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.75	10.75	10.75
" fresh ..	quart	7.50	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	13.00	13.00	14.00	11.71	11.71	12.57	12.00	12.00	13.00	12.00	12.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	14.00
" rib ..	"	11.00	11.00	12.00	10.00	10.00	10.79	10.88	10.88	11.88	11.00	11.33	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.00
" steak, rump ..	"	18.00	18.00	18.90	16.57	16.57	17.43	15.75	15.75	16.75	16.00	16.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	18.00
" chuck ..	"	10.90	10.90	11.90	9.57	9.57	10.43	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	13.00	13.00	14.00
" sausages ..	"	7.78	7.78	8.67	7.86	7.86	8.29	8.25	8.25	8.75	8.67	8.67	9.00	9.67	9.67	10.33
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	13.00	13.00	14.00	10.86	10.86	11.57	11.00	10.75	12.00	11.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	13.00	14.00
" brisket ..	"	10.50	10.50	11.35	9.29	9.29	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	13.00
Mutton, leg ..	"	10.50	10.50	11.00	9.71	9.71	10.07	10.38	10.38	11.00	10.50	10.50	11.00	12.50	12.50	13.00
" forequarter ..	"	6.50	6.50	7.00	6.36	6.36	6.71	6.38	6.38	7.00	6.50	6.50	7.00	10.50	10.50	11.33
" loin ..	"	10.10	10.10	10.50	9.21	9.21	9.50	9.25	9.25	10.00	9.50	9.50	9.67	12.50	12.50	13.00
" chops, loin ..	"	10.50	10.50	11.00	9.79	9.79	10.07	10.38	10.38	11.00	10.50	10.50	11.00	12.50	12.50	13.00
" leg ..	"	11.50	11.50	12.00	10.07	10.07	10.36	10.25	10.25	11.00	10.50	10.50	11.00	12.50	12.50	13.00
Pork, leg ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
" loin ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
" chops ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
House Rents (b) ..	4 and 5 Rooms	..	251.49	..	..	232.45	..	..	214.51	..	..	193.64	..	..	202.31	..

(a) Prices nominal in some cases owing to scarcity of supplies.  
footnote (c), page 67.

(b) Revised Series comparable only with averages published since December Quarter, 1936. See also



## Section VIII.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

## MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

(Base : 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Wool, Cotton, Leather, &c.	Agri- cultural Pro- duce, &c.	Dairy Pro- duce.	Gro- ceries.	Meat.	Building Ma- terials.	Chem- icals.	All Groups.
1861..	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1871..	1,096	1,257	1,236	864	1,586	..	1,044	1,409	1,220
1881..	1,178	1,115	1,012	935	1,421	..	1,091	1,587	1,121
1891..	895	847	1,024	995	1,032	888	780	1,194	945
1901..	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1902..	1,007	756	1,192	1,215	945	1,447	837	881	1,051
1903..	923	834	1,209	1,059	936	1,443	875	921	1,049
1904..	821	885	754	876	916	1,427	845	875	890
1905..	772	850	894	980	942	1,209	801	859	910
1906..	882	978	916	972	923	1,110	896	864	948
1907..	1,037	1,017	973	1,020	948	1,294	968	961	1,021
1908..	1,033	901	1,312	1,198	968	1,335	935	891	1,115
1909..	1,014	907	1,000	1,119	978	1,088	911	815	993
1910..	1,004	1,052	969	1,100	999	1,008	996	898	1,003
1911..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1912..	1,021	991	1,370	1,206	1,052	1,357	1,057	978	1,170
1913..	1,046	1,070	1,097	1,054	1,024	1,252	1,128	995	1,078
1914..	1,099	1,032	1,207	1,137	1,021	1,507	1,081	1,253	1,148
1915..	1,284	1,017	2,162	1,530	1,133	2,435	1,275	1,528	1,604
1916..	1,695	1,423	1,208	1,485	1,322	2,515	1,491	1,760	1,504
1917..	2,129	2,008	1,157	1,423	1,343	2,403	1,884	2,171	1,662
1918..	2,416	2,360	1,444	1,454	1,422	2,385	2,686	3,225	1,934
1919..	2,125	2,363	1,985	1,651	1,516	2,348	2,851	2,898	2,058
1920..	2,298	2,624	2,439	2,209	1,918	3,279	3,226	2,825	2,480
1921..	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1922..	1,942	1,681	1,628	1,648	1,869	1,787	2,005	1,965	1,758
1923..	1,826	1,481	1,778	1,837	1,746	2,579	2,025	1,933	1,944
1924..	1,835	2,418	1,647	1,655	1,721	2,223	1,815	1,806	1,885
1925..	1,852	1,967	1,797	1,636	1,723	2,212	1,711	1,790	1,844
1926..	1,938	1,582	2,001	1,784	1,731	1,931	1,665	1,816	1,832
1927..	1,962	1,650	1,826	1,823	1,724	2,111	1,624	1,866	1,817
1928..	1,912	1,781	1,726	1,751	1,707	2,015	1,744	1,923	1,792
1929..	1,912	1,556	1,792	1,853	1,690	2,246	1,754	1,942	1,803
1930..	1,866	1,127	1,484	1,624	1,666	2,025	1,875	1,982	1,596
1931..	1,826	1,039	1,121	1,399	1,794	1,508	2,025	2,166	1,428
1932..	1,736	1,000	1,230	1,303	1,767	1,348	2,043	2,127	1,411
1933..	1,713	1,118	1,175	1,195	1,714	1,487	2,061	2,106	1,409
1934..	1,660	1,261	1,288	1,274	1,735	1,540	2,015	2,018	1,471
1935..	1,602	1,217	1,344	1,325	1,729	1,508	1,964	1,996	1,469
1936..	1,566	1,331	1,480	1,351	1,731	1,684	1,969	1,997	1,543
1937..	1,772	1,406	1,604	1,451	1,750	1,678	2,430	2,006	1,656
1938..	1,746	1,051	1,789	1,549	1,747	1,871	2,238	2,059	1,662
1939..	1,758	1,101	1,820	1,557	1,752	1,710	2,220	2,075	1,665
1940..	1,854	1,362	1,568	1,567	1,784	1,882	2,890	2,298	1,713
1941..	1,960	1,402	1,721	1,554	1,884	1,776	3,138	2,527	1,796
1942..	2,146	1,507	1,900	1,665	1,938	2,312	3,409	2,437	1,977
1943..	2,272	1,945	1,964	1,716	1,939	2,366	3,764	2,442	2,117
1944..	2,278	1,967	2,052	1,721	1,949	2,470	3,768	2,442	2,159

NOTE.—The index of wholesale prices above was first computed in 1912 and relates chiefly to basic materials and foods weighted in accordance with consumption in the years immediately preceding that date. Neither the component items nor the weighting have been varied. Consequently the index is a measure of changes in wholesale price levels based on usages which have altered substantially since the period on which the weighting was determined. As such it is useful as an indication of long-term trends over the past 84 years which it covers, on the assumption that the relative importance of component items remained constant. But it no longer serves as a measure of price variations from month to month or from year to year of commodities weighted in accordance with present-day consumption. Reference to a description of the index published in the annual *Labour Report* will indicate that animal fodders preponderate in the "Agricultural Produce" group, while "Building Materials" include little besides imported timber. In other groups, some principal items have increased in consumption while others have decreased. A new wholesale price index, covering basic materials and foodstuffs, has therefore been computed, in which the items have been regrouped and reweighted as indicated, and comparative index numbers back to 1928-29 are published on the next page.

## WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

## BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Following a conference of Statisticians in 1930 an index has been computed from new data on prices and consumption. Both in contents and method of computation it differs from the Melbourne Index of Wholesale Prices published on the previous page. The price quotations have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants, and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of fluctuations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on average annual consumption during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Foodstuffs and Tobacco.	Goods principally Imported.	Goods principally Home Produced.	All Groups.
1928-29 ..	1,269	1,064	1,288	1,214	1,148	948	1,070	911	1,183	1,103
1936-37 ..	962	984	1,185	988	1,106	989	974	991	980	984
1937-38 ..	1,013	1,012	1,000	1,001	969	1,041	997	1,018	1,000	1,005
1938-39 ..	1,025	1,004	815	1,011	925	970	1,029	991	1,020	1,011
1939-40 ..	1,051	1,152	1,038	1,068	1,163	1,084	1,012	1,106	1,025	1,047
1940-41 ..	1,074	1,374	1,105	1,236	1,256	1,284	1,069	1,325	1,060	1,140
1941-42 ..	1,173	1,509	1,184	1,372	1,350	1,352	1,169	1,525	1,123	1,242
1942-43 ..	1,288	1,667	1,471	1,422	1,379	1,628	1,279	1,700	1,212	1,373
1943-44 ..	1,310	1,695	1,501	1,432	1,398	1,743	1,287	1,824	1,217	1,396
1944-45 ..	1,307	1,676	1,518	1,428	1,398	1,747	1,308	1,819	1,232	1,405
1942-43—										
July ..	1,213	1,590	1,363	1,410	1,361	1,514	1,311	1,653	1,232	1,356
August ..	1,234	1,644	1,359	1,410	1,361	1,516	1,318	1,661	1,247	1,369
September ..	1,237	1,644	1,381	1,410	1,361	1,516	1,334	1,724	1,237	1,379
October ..	1,302	1,649	1,386	1,410	1,361	1,516	1,292	1,721	1,219	1,367
November ..	1,308	1,651	1,391	1,425	1,361	1,529	1,281	1,750	1,205	1,365
December ..	1,308	1,684	1,484	1,425	1,358	1,691	1,255	1,801	1,193	1,371
January ..	1,308	1,686	1,544	1,425	1,398	1,691	1,210	1,790	1,166	1,350
February ..	1,308	1,688	1,535	1,429	1,398	1,701	1,234	1,789	1,185	1,363
March ..	1,308	1,693	1,544	1,429	1,398	1,701	1,265	1,802	1,206	1,382
April ..	1,310	1,693	1,521	1,430	1,398	1,709	1,274	1,807	1,211	1,386
May ..	1,310	1,693	1,573	1,430	1,398	1,709	1,275	1,801	1,216	1,388
June ..	1,310	1,693	1,574	1,430	1,398	1,741	1,298	1,824	1,228	1,404
1943-44—										
July ..	1,310	1,694	1,569	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,305	1,824	1,233	1,407
August ..	1,310	1,694	1,541	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,291	1,823	1,222	1,398
September ..	1,310	1,694	1,502	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,297	1,828	1,224	1,402
October ..	1,310	1,694	1,507	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,286	1,826	1,216	1,396
November ..	1,310	1,694	1,436	1,433	1,398	1,741	1,279	1,829	1,206	1,389
December ..	1,310	1,694	1,499	1,433	1,398	1,743	1,275	1,821	1,209	1,389
January ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,433	1,398	1,743	1,279	1,828	1,210	1,392
February ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,433	1,398	1,743	1,269	1,815	1,208	1,386
March ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,271	1,818	1,208	1,387
April ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,289	1,832	1,215	1,397
May ..	1,310	1,696	1,490	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,291	1,818	1,223	1,398
June ..	1,308	1,696	1,507	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,307	1,820	1,235	1,407
1944-45—										
July ..	1,308	1,696	1,512	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,312	1,819	1,239	1,410
August ..	1,308	1,696	1,542	1,429	1,398	1,747	1,306	1,817	1,237	1,408
September ..	1,308	1,696	1,525	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,291	1,814	1,225	1,399
October ..	1,308	1,696	1,523	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,288	1,821	1,221	1,397
November ..	1,310	1,696	1,515	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,289	1,831	1,217	1,398
December ..	1,306	1,696	1,515	1,430	1,398	1,747	1,290	1,834	1,216	1,398
January ..	1,306	1,678	1,516	1,430	1,398	1,746	1,291	1,822	1,217	1,396
February ..	1,306	1,678	1,516	1,430	1,398	1,748	1,304	1,830	1,225	1,404
March ..	1,306	1,678	1,511	1,430	1,398	1,748	1,314	1,824	1,235	1,408
April ..	1,306	1,678	1,511	1,430	1,398	1,748	1,333	1,835	1,245	1,419
May ..	1,306	1,609	1,525	1,429	1,398	1,748	1,331	1,795	1,249	1,410
June ..	1,306	1,609	1,510	1,406	1,398	1,748	1,346	1,790	1,261	1,417
1945-46—										
July ..	1,305	1,609	1,502	1,410	1,398	1,758	1,349	1,793	1,262	1,418
August ..	1,303	1,609	1,508	1,410	1,398	1,758	1,351	1,797	1,262	1,419
September ..	1,303	1,567	1,508	1,410	1,398	1,758	1,355	1,791	1,259	1,416

## PRIMARY PRODUCTION PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

The annual index-numbers in the following table have been recomputed to the base Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000 from the revised series published in *Production Bulletin* No. 36 Part II. They are based in general on prices realized in the principal markets of Australia.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Agriculture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Mining other than Gold.(a)	Gold. (a)	All Groups.
1928-29 .. ..	1,167	1,289	1,221	1,234	1,235	487	1,213
1937-38 .. ..	993	1,018	1,012	1,009	1,085	997	1,014
1938-39 .. ..	896	878	1,059	918	933	1,011	922
1939-40 .. ..	893	1,021	1,066	984	974	1,113	987
1940-41 .. ..	1,004	1,086	1,025	1,046	1,076	1,215	1,053
1941-42 .. ..	1,019	1,167	1,075	1,098	1,176	1,218	1,107
1942-43 .. ..	1,153	1,291	1,177	1,221	1,249	1,191	1,223
1943-44(b) .. ..	1,220	1,295	1,179	1,247	1,290	1,191	1,250
1944-45(b) .. ..	1,275	1,316	1,182	1,277	1,302	1,197	1,276
1943-44—(b)							
April .. ..	1,232	1,283	1,179	1,246	1,295	1,191	1,249
May .. ..	1,235	1,293	1,179	1,251	1,295	1,191	1,254
June .. ..	1,238	1,310	1,179	1,260	1,294	1,193	1,262
1944-45—(b)							
July .. ..	1,237	1,338	1,180	1,273	1,302	1,197	1,273
August .. ..	1,236	1,335	1,183	1,272	1,302	1,197	1,272
September .. ..	1,235	1,317	1,182	1,263	1,302	1,202	1,264
October .. ..	1,287	1,308	1,182	1,277	1,301	1,208	1,277
November .. ..	1,293	1,306	1,182	1,278	1,302	1,208	1,278
December .. ..	1,274	1,305	1,182	1,271	1,301	1,208	1,272
January .. ..	1,279	1,293	1,182	1,268	1,301	1,208	1,268
February .. ..	1,281	1,300	1,182	1,272	1,301	1,208	1,272
March .. ..	1,295	1,310	1,182	1,281	1,301	1,208	1,281
April .. ..	1,295	1,312	1,182	1,282	1,301	1,208	1,281
May .. ..	1,295	1,322	1,182	1,286	1,301	1,210	1,285
June .. ..	1,295	1,343	1,182	1,296	1,301	1,224	1,294
1945-46—(b)							
July .. ..	1,295	1,343	1,182	1,296	1,301	1,227	1,294
August .. ..	1,295	1,343	1,182	1,296	1,297	1,227	1,294
September .. ..	1,295	1,339	1,182	1,294	1,306	1,227	1,292

(a) Year ended previous December.

(b) Preliminary figures subject to revision, based on average wholesale prices in the period shown.

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS.

These index-numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which constitute about 85 per cent. of all exports. The prices are multiplied by the average quantities exported during a fairly recent and representative period.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Year.	Excluding Gold.	Including Gold.	Month.	1943-44.		1944-45.		1945-46.	
				Excluding Gold.	Including Gold.	Excluding Gold.	Including Gold.	Excluding Gold.	Including Gold.
1928-29	1,205	1,173	July ..	1,145	1,148	1,236	1,234	1,350	1,342
1933-34	959	896	August ..	1,154	1,157	1,258	1,255	1,346	1,338
1934-35	741	753	September ..	1,149	1,152	1,283	1,279	1,364	1,355
1935-36	942	946	October ..	1,155	1,159	1,312	1,305	..	..
1936-37	1,155	1,144	November ..	1,171	1,172	1,300	1,294	..	..
1937-38	1,024	1,022	December ..	1,172	1,175	1,300	1,295	..	..
1938-39	821	834							
1939-40	964	980	January ..	1,175	1,176	1,317	1,311	..	..
1940-41	1,026	1,039	February ..	1,172	1,175	1,312	1,307	..	..
1941-42	1,047	1,059	March ..	1,175	1,176	1,321	1,314	..	..
1942-43	1,137	1,142	April ..	1,177	1,178	1,333	1,326	..	..
1943-44	1,169	1,171	May ..	1,192	1,192	1,328	1,319	..	..
1944-45	1,304	1,298	June ..	1,196	1,196	1,342	1,335	..	..

NOTE.—While the index-numbers above indicate satisfactorily the general trend of the market, they take no account of the relative quantities actually sold at the different prices ruling in each month and consequently do not give an adequate indication of the significance of the price movements as they actually affected current sales. This is shown more accurately by the Export Price Index (Changing Base), published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics* and in the computation of which the "quantity-multipliers" are changed each month.



## COMPARATIVE INDEX-NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

\* (Base of Each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capitals, 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Retail Price Index-numbers.						Nominal Wages, Adult Males.	Real Wages. (b)	Percent- age of Unem- ployment among Trade Union- ists.
	Food and Grocer- ies.	Housing (4 and 5 Rooms). (a)	Food, Groceries and Housing (4 and 5 Rooms). "B" Series.	Clothing.	Miscel- laneous.	All Items of House- hold Ex- pendi- ture. "C" Series.			
Year—									%
1911 .. ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	(c)1,000	(c)1,000	(c)1,000	1,000	1,000	4.7
1914 .. ..	1,144	1,082	1,121	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,081	948	8.3
1921 .. ..	1,902	1,410	1,717	1,883	1,537	1,680	1,826	1,087	11.2
1928 .. ..	1,761	1,743	1,755	1,507	1,537	1,675	1,963	1,172	10.8
1932 .. ..	1,425	1,336	1,390	1,215	1,457	1,377	1,639	1,190	29.0
1939 .. ..	1,657	1,577	1,626	1,271	1,465	1,526	1,846	1,211	9.7
1940 .. ..	1,679	1,590	1,644	1,445	1,519	1,588	1,889	1,190	8.0
1941 .. ..	1,693	1,595	1,654	1,690	1,613	1,673	1,997	1,194	3.7
1942 .. ..	1,843	1,596	1,742	1,977	1,693	1,809	2,164	1,196	1.6
1943 .. ..	1,855	1,595	1,749	2,177	1,766	1,876	2,309	1,231	1.1
1944 .. ..	1,834	1,595	1,737	2,168	1,773	1,867	2,326	1,246	1.2
Quarter—									
1935.									
December ..	1,460	1,390	1,434	1,188	1,435	1,391	1,620	1,165	13.7
1936.									
March .. ..	1,445	1,413	1,433	1,191	1,432	1,391	1,623	1,167	13.4
June .. ..	1,455	1,425	1,444	1,194	1,431	1,397	1,629	1,166	12.8
September ..	1,489	1,449	1,474	1,197	1,455	1,420	1,641	1,156	12.0
December ..	1,510	1,461	1,491	1,203	1,449	1,430	1,659	1,160	10.7
1937.									
March .. ..	1,510	1,470	1,495	1,205	1,452	1,433	1,662	1,160	9.9
June .. ..	1,507	1,483	1,498	1,221	1,461	1,441	1,680	1,166	9.7
September ..	1,526	1,499	1,516	1,230	1,464	1,454	1,721	1,184	9.3
December ..	1,540	1,510	1,529	1,245	1,467	1,465	1,763	1,203	8.2
1938.									
March .. ..	1,540	1,521	1,534	1,247	1,466	1,467	1,778	1,212	8.0
June .. ..	1,572	1,534	1,558	1,255	1,461	1,482	1,787	1,206	8.6
September ..	1,616	1,547	1,589	1,256	1,463	1,500	1,806	1,204	9.2
December ..	1,608	1,559	1,589	1,256	1,463	1,501	1,823	1,215	8.9
1939.									
March .. ..	1,673	1,568	1,631	1,258	1,461	1,524	1,826	1,198	9.6
June .. ..	1,654	1,575	1,623	1,264	1,461	1,522	1,847	1,214	9.5
September ..	1,645	1,582	1,620	1,264	1,463	1,520	1,854	1,220	10.2
December ..	1,657	1,584	1,628	1,297	1,472	1,536	1,858	1,210	9.3
1940.									
March .. ..	1,640	1,587	1,620	1,342	1,481	1,542	1,864	1,209	7.9
June .. ..	1,688	1,589	1,649	1,415	1,518	1,583	1,875	1,184	10.5
September ..	1,676	1,591	1,642	1,450	1,533	1,590	1,903	1,197	7.4
December ..	1,710	1,593	1,663	1,572	1,542	1,635	1,912	1,169	6.2
1941.									
March .. ..	1,713	1,595	1,666	1,598	1,581	1,651	1,966	1,191	5.3
June .. ..	1,679	1,595	1,646	1,669	1,594	1,660	1,984	1,195	3.6
September ..	1,673	1,595	1,643	1,705	1,633	1,675	2,002	1,195	3.2
December ..	1,705	1,596	1,662	1,787	1,644	1,707	2,034	1,192	2.9
1942.									
March .. ..	1,771	1,597	1,701	1,838	1,667	1,746	2,091	1,198	1.8
June .. ..	1,832	1,596	1,736	1,942	1,673	1,793	2,127	1,186	1.7
September ..	1,887	1,595	1,768	2,028	1,689	1,835	2,182	1,189	1.6
December ..	1,880	1,595	1,764	2,098	1,741	1,860	2,257	1,213	1.3
1943.									
March .. ..	1,860	1,595	1,752	2,130	1,749	1,863	2,283	1,225	1.2
June .. ..	1,891	1,595	1,771	2,216	1,763	1,897	2,292	1,208	1.1
September ..	1,853	1,594	1,748	2,192	1,773	1,880	2,331	1,240	1.1
December ..	1,815	1,595	1,726	2,171	1,778	1,864	2,329	1,249	1.1
1944.									
March .. ..	1,824	1,595	1,731	2,167	1,775	1,864	2,322	1,246	1.0
June .. ..	1,834	1,595	1,737	2,160	1,773	1,865	2,322	1,245	1.4
September ..	1,852	1,595	1,748	2,166	1,772	1,873	2,327	1,242	1.2
December ..	1,827	1,595	1,733	2,180	1,770	1,867	2,332	1,249	1.2
1945.									
March .. ..	1,838	1,595	1,739	2,149	1,767	1,863	2,333	1,252	1.1
June .. ..	1,854	1,595	1,749	2,141	1,767	1,866	2,336	1,257	1.1
September ..	1,860	1,595	1,752	2,140	1,767	1,868	..	..	1.2

(a) See footnote (c) on page 67.

(b) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series index of retail prices.

(c) Taken back from true base (November, 1914 = 1,000) by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

\* The index-numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000.



## STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA.

Heading.	Years.							
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1941.	1944.
POPULATION (a)—Males ..	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,232	2,709,462	3,332,577	3,597,447	h 3,684,874
Females ..	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,191,554	2,711,532	3,220,029	3,539,775	h 3,656,841
Total ..	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,786	5,510,994	6,552,606	7,137,222	h 7,341,715
BIRTHS—Number ..	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136,198	118,509	134,525	153,344
Rate ..	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95	18.16	18.94	20.99
DEATHS—Number ..	33,927	47,430	40,330	47,869	54,076	56,560	71,176	69,596
Rate ..	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	9.91	8.67	10.02	9.53
MARRIAGES—Number ..	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869	38,882	75,148	68,201
Rate ..	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59	5.96	10.58	9.33
	1881-82.	1891-92.	1901-02.	1911-12.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.	1943-44.
AGRICULTURE—								
Wheat—Area '000 acres	2,996	3,335	5,116	7,428	9,719	14,741	12,003	7,875
Yield '000 bus.	21,444	25,675	38,562	71,636	129,089	190,612	166,713	109,720
Average yield bus.	7.16	7.70	7.54	9.64	13.28	12.93	13.89	13.93
Oats—Area '000 acres	195	246	461	617	733	1,085	1,460	1,415
Yield '000 bus.	4,796	5,726	9,790	9,562	12,147	15,195	22,302	17,712
Average yield bus.	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	16.56	14.00	15.27	12.52
Barley—Area '000 acres	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	342,396	784,253	442,884
Yield '000 bus.	1,353	1,179	1,520	2,057	6,086	6,291	18,004	7,590
Average yield bus.	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.66	20.36	18.37	22.92	17.14
Maize—Area '000 acres	165,777	284,428	294,849	340,065	305,186	269,448	301,360	282,681
Yield '000 bus.	5,726	9,262	7,035	8,940	7,840	7,062	7,436	7,433
Average yield bus.	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.29	25.69	26.21	24.67	26.29
Hay—Area '000 acres	768	942	1,688	2,518	2,995	2,635	2,758	2,044
Yield '000 tons	767	1,067	2,025	2,868	3,902	3,167	3,575	2,717
Average yield tons	1.00	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.20	1.30	1.33
Potatoes—Area '000 acres	(b) 76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	149,144	145,111	99,324	192,075
Yield '000 tons	(b) 243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	397,102	332,727	599,055
Average yield tons	(b) 3.19	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	2.74	3.35	3.12
Sugar-cane—Area (c) acres	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	128,350	241,576	254,564	229,172
Yield '000 tons	350	738	1,368	1,682	2,437	4,213	5,154	3,688
Av. yield tons	17.74	16.23	15.73	16.65	18.99	17.44	20.25	16.09
Vineyards—Area '000 acres	14,569	48,882	63,677	60,602	92,414	112,961	129,739	129,774
Wine '000 gal.	1,438	3,438	5,262	4,975	8,543	14,191	15,857	19,865
Total gross value of all agricultural production £'000	15,519	16,988	23,835	23,774	81,890	74,489	94,451	(e)
PASTORAL, DAIRYING, ETC.—								
Live-stock—Sheep '000	65,093	106,421	72,040	96,886	86,119	110,619	125,189	123,174
Cattle ..	8,011	11,112	8,491	11,829	14,441	12,261	13,561	14,184
Horses ..	1,088	1,585	1,620	2,278	2,438	1,776	1,611	1,449
Pigs ..	703	846	931	1,111	960	1,168	1,477	1,747
Wool production (d) '000 lb.	319,649	634,046	539,395	798,391	723,059	1,007,456	1,167,159	1,169,016
Butter ..	(e)	(f) 42,315	(f) 103,747	(f) 212,074	(f) 267,071	390,654	375,694	350,072
Cheese ..	(e)	(f) 10,181	(f) 11,845	(f) 15,887	(f) 32,653	31,423	67,520	80,248
Bacon and ham ..	(e)	(f) 16,772	(f) 34,021	(f) 53,335	(f) 58,626	71,122	95,119	102,419
Total gross value of all pastoral and dairying production .. £'000	29,538	39,256	36,890	72,883	119,399	103,018	184,857	(e)
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1931.	1941.	1943.
MINERAL PRODUCTION—								
Gold ..	5,194	5,282	14,018	10,552	4,019	3,564	15,991	7,851
Silver and lead ..	46	3,736	2,249	3,022	1,540	1,444	6,256	4,335
Copper ..	714	367	2,215	2,564	804	568	1,505	2,195
Tin ..	1,146	561	448	1,210	418	216	1,001	839
Zinc ..	3	3	4	1,415	283	513	1,590	1,432
Coal ..	638	1,912	2,603	3,927	11,015	6,355	10,872	12,680
Total value of all mineral production .. £'000	7,820	12,074	21,817	23,303	10,997	13,352	41,257	33,741
					1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.	1943-44.
FORESTRY PRODUCTION—								
Quantity of local timber								
sawn or hewn—								
'000 sup. ft.	(e)	(e)	452,181	604,794	590,495	236,707	913,675	851,061
FACTORIES—								
Number of factories ..				14,455	18,023	21,657	26,971	27,674
Hands employed ..				311,710	373,540	336,658	725,342	766,506
Wages paid .. £'000				27,528	68,051	55,932	180,052	216,874
Value of production ..				51,259	121,674	110,982	316,439	366,235
Total value of output ..				133,022	320,332	281,646	773,059	891,739

(a) At 31st December.

(b) Partly estimated.

(c) Productive cane.

(d) In terms of greasy.

(e) Not available.

(f) Years ended December.

(g) Owing to variation in classification effective comparison is impossible.

(h) Subject to revision.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Heading.	Years.							
	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921-22.	1931-32.	1941-42.	1943-44.
<b>SHIPPING—</b>								
Oversea vessels entered and cleared .. No.	3,284	3,778	4,028	4,174	3,111	3,057	2,544	2,380
.. '000 tons	2,540	4,726	6,542	9,985	9,081	11,396	10,768	9,687
<b>COMMERCE—</b>								
Imports—Oversea .. £'000	29,067	37,711	42,424	66,968	103,066	44,713	152,005	214,224
.. Per head .. £	12/16/2	11/16/0	11/3/11	14/18/2	18/14/1	6/16/6	21/6/0	29/6/7
Exports—Oversea .. £'000	27,528	36,043	49,696	79,482	127,847	(b) 85,843	(a) 134,927	(a) 117,111
.. Per head .. £	12/2/8	11/5/6	13/2/2	17/13/10	23/4/1	13/1/11	18/18/1	16/0/8
Total—Oversea trade .. £'000	56,595	73,754	92,130	146,450	230,913	130,556	286,932	331,335
.. Per head .. £	24/18/10	23/1/6	24/6/1	32/12/0	41/18/2	19/18/5	40/4/1	45/7/3
Net Customs and Excise duties .. £'000	4,809	7,441	8,657	13,515	27,565	28,525	(b) 55,700	(b) 66,502
.. Per head .. £	2/2/5	2/6/7	2/5/8	2/19/2	5/0/1	4/7/1	7/16/1	9/2/0
<b>PRINCIPAL OVERSEA EXPORTS</b>								
(c)—								
Wool—Quantity (d) '000 lb.	328,369	619,260	518,018	720,365	927,834	893,644	937,376	607,422
.. Value .. £'000	13,173	19,940	15,237	26,071	47,977	32,102	58,041	45,767
Wheat—Quantity '000 cwt.	3,219	5,877	12,156	33,069	59,968	76,441	13,388	20,195
.. Value .. £'000	1,190	1,939	2,775	9,642	28,644	19,220	4,645	8,264
Flour—Quantity '000 tons	50	33	97	176	360	611	414	591
.. Value .. £'000	520	328	590	1,392	5,520	3,833	4,191	6,690
Butter—Quantity '000 lb.	1,299	4,240	34,607	101,722	127,347	201,639	130,347	104,227
.. Value .. £'000	39	207	1,451	4,637	7,968	10,250	8,125	6,871
Hides and skins ..	317	874	1,251	3,227	3,137	2,316	5,982	6,752
Tallow ..	644	571	678	1,926	1,442	831	842	904
Meats ..	363	461	2,611	4,303	5,542	6,370	14,094	13,063
Timber (undressed) ..	118	38	731	1,024	1,158	433	320	271
Gold ..	6,445	5,704	14,316	12,046	3,483	11,893	9,188	..
Silver and lead ..	58	1,032	2,250	3,213	2,697	2,902	7,434	3,795
Copper ..	677	418	1,619	2,346	705	472	18	24
Coal ..	361	646	987	901	1,100	342	259	182
<b>GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—</b>								
Length of line open .. miles	3,832	9,541	12,579	16,078	23,502	26,959	27,241	27,213
Capital cost .. £'000	42,741	99,764	123,224	152,195	244,353	321,972	322,152	325,039
Gross revenue ..	3,910	8,654	11,038	17,848	38,195	37,580	66,482	82,309
Working expenses ..	2,142	5,630	7,134	10,946	29,818	28,142	51,043	66,578
Per cent. of working expenses on gross revenue %	54.77	65.06	64.63	61.33	78.07	74.88	76.78	80.89
<b>POSTAL—</b>								
Letters and post-cards dealt with .. '000	67,640	157,297	220,853	453,063	561,973	731,135	921,901	907,768
.. Per head No.	29.61	49.07	58.26	100.90	102.01	111.62	129.17	124.24
Newspapers dealt with .. '000	38,063	85,280	102,727	141,638	140,477	139,502	177,974	170,044
.. Per head No.	16.66	26.61	27.10	31.54	25.50	21.30	24.94	23.27
<b>CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (e)—</b>								
Note circulation .. £'000	3,979	4,417	3,399	3,718	(f) 214	197	167	166
Coin and bullion held ..	9,108	16,713	19,781	33,471	21,27	2,882	4,479	(g) 16,589
Advances ..	57,733	129,742	86,353	108,579	193,436	(h) 260,918	(h) 323,850	(gh) 251,705
Deposits ..	53,849	98,345	91,487	143,447	(i) 273,867	(h) 319,241	(h) 482,722	(gh) 762,441
<b>SAVINGS BANKS (j)—</b>								
Total deposits .. £'000	7,854	15,537	30,883	59,394	154,396	197,966	274,275	(k) 566,964
Average per head of population .. £	3/10/5	4/18/7	8/3/0	13/8/5	28/0/4	30/1/11	38/4/7	76/15/6
<b>STATE SCHOOLS—</b>								
Schools .. No.	4,494	6,231	7,012	8,060	9,445	10,097	9,535	8,814
Teachers ..	9,028	12,564	14,500	16,971	26,120	33,762	32,066	31,713
Enrolment ..	432,320	561,153	638,478	638,850	819,042	936,901	886,655	874,440
Average attendance ..	255,143	350,773	450,246	463,799	666,498	817,262	732,116	706,650

(a) British currency values. The recorded values were:—Exports, 1931-32, £A.109,034,000; 1941-42, £A.168,977,000 and 1943-44, £A.146,682,000, vide page 16. (b) Excludes Special War Tax of 10 per cent. on Amount of Customs Duties on all goods entered for home consumption on and after 3rd May, 1940. (c) Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports. (d) In terms of greasy. (e) Figures for first three years are averages for the December quarter; the remainder for the June quarter. (f) Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue. (g) Quarter ended June, 1945. (h) Government "set-off" accounts interstate (Commonwealth Bank) excluded. (i) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank deposits. (j) First three years at 31st December; remainder 30th June. (k) At 30th June, 1945.

